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More Troops Patrol Paris As Bomb Threats Rise

Government Also Warns All Citizens Still Left in Algeria to Return Home

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service

PARIS - The French government sent hundreds more soldiers into the streets of Paris on Wednesday and warned any French citizens still in Algeria to leave for their own safety after Islamic terrorists reportedly threatened further bombines here unless Paris halted all aid to Algiers.

A homemade bomb in an underground commuter train wounded 29 people, five of them gravely, on Tuesday, and French authorities said it was the eighth in a series of terrorist acts carried out by the Armed Islamic Group, which is fighting to over-throw Algeria's military government in a struggle that has taken from 30,000 to 40,000 lives.

More bomb threats delayed train and subway service in the capital on Wednesday, and an Arabic-language daily published in London, Al Sharq al Awsat, reported that the Armed Islamic Group was threatening more violence unless France met four demands.

These were to close its embassy in Algiers, cut off \$1.2 million a year in aid to

Only Diligence Stops Bombers, Expert Warns

By Barry James International Herald Tribune

PARIS - Despite a massive deployment of police and troops, the only effec-ive weapons against bombings on public transit systems are good intelligence about dissident groups and vigilance by passen-gers, an anti-terrorism specialist said

Drawing on the experience of recent attacks in London and Tokyo as well as Paris, the specialist, Richard Clutterbuck, said from Exeter, England, that any mass transit system was "absolutely vulnerable" to terrorist acts.

general and intelligence expert in the British Army, studied security measures in the Channel Tunnel, which had been feared to become a target for Irish Republican

But he said the tunnel was much safer than the underground and suburban rail systems that tens of millions of people use

every day.
"I cannot think of any way in which an underground urban system could work with a degree of search similar to that which you need before joining an aircraft," he said. He agreed with the president of the French railroad, Jean Bergougnoux, who appealed to passengers after the bombing in Paris on Tuesday to be more vigilant about unattended bags or suspicious behavior by other passengers. Mr. Passengers havior by other passengers. Mr. Bergoug-noux said it would be impossible to check

the bags of all passengers every day. The wave of terrorist bombings in France, thought to be the work of Algerian Islamic fundamentalists, has killed seven people and wounded about 160 in less than

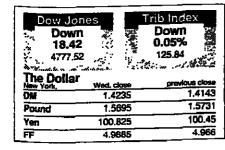
The presence of troops and police has more value in reassuring the public than in stopping terrorists, Mr. Clutterbuck said. He added that the only effective way to prevent bombings was to get good intelligence from informants.

"My signature tune these days is what is called 'intelligence-led policing.' he said.
"You get background intelligence by such things as surveillance cameras, the normal business of police keeping their eyes open

and information from the public." "From that background intelligence," he continued, "you are then able to inter-pret specific intelligence when the oppor-

Specific intelligence most often comes from informants, Mr. Clutterbuck said, 99

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Algeria, denounce the November presidential elections there as a sham and cancel President Jacques Chirac's plans to see his Algerian counterpart at the United Nations in New York this weekend, the newspaper said. Earlier, the group had suggested that Mr. Chirac convert to Is-

French officials declined to comment on the latest demands, but the Foreign Ministry renewed calls to all French citizens still in Algeria to leave unless their presence was absolutely necessary and warned French journalists not to try to cover the

The vote is being boycotted by the Islamic Salvation Front, an umbrella organization whose impending victory in parlia-mentary elections in 1992 was prevented when the military called off the vote. The Armed Islamic Group has demanded that all foreigners leave the country and has singled out foreigners living in Algeria for

French authorities estimate that there are about 1,500 French nationals in Algeria, including several hundred oil and gas pipeline employees who work under Alge-rian government military protection, plus 10,000 Algerians with French passports.

Mr. Chirac's plan to talk with Algeria's president, Liamine Zeroual, the likely winner in the November elections, has emerged as a bone of contention. Mr. Chirac has made going ahead with the meeting a symbol of French defiance of terrorist intimidation.

The opposition Socialist leader, Lionel Jospin, said talks with Mr. Zeroual were "not opportune" now, and another Socialist politician questioned publicly why Mr. Chirac had chosen to "bail out" the Algerian leader by seeing him.

In response, the French government spokesman, François Baroin, said: "Jacques Chirac does not want to bail out anybody, or to interfere in any country, but to consider that the solution is political and should be the fruit of dialogue among all the forces that reject violence."

Algerian elections, in Mr. Chirac's view, should be "as democratic as possible" Mr. Baroin said, and legislative elections should follow the presidential vote.

French officials have long feared an extension of the Algerian civil war to their own shores, where about 5 million Mus-

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By John Pomfret

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina --- On Friday morn-

ing, suffering from a mammoth hangover after days of boozy farewells, Semezdin Mehmedinovic, disheveled

and a bit grim, shoved his papers in front of a gantlet of

Bosnian policemen, customs officers, state security

toughs, French guards, a Russian UN police officer, his

Jordanian colleague and Norwegian soldiers from an

After explaining to another United Nations official

with a New York accent that no, he did not have a flak jacket or a helmet with which to board the plane — but

that was O.K. because he was a local boy, and what's another dead local boy anyway? — Mr. Mehmedinovic

An hour or two later, he trudged onto the tarmac of the

Sarajevo airport and into a Russian-made Ilyushin jet.
Minutes later, the UN airplane flew him out of his
hometown. His final destination? The United States. His

professional goal? "Maybe I'll be a waiter," he said.

was given passage into a dimly lighted waiting room.

organization called Movement Control.



ALMOST PERFECT — Saddam Hussein acknowledging supporters Wednesday in Baghdad in his first appearance since receiving 99.96 support in a referendum. For all his power, he hasn't overcome the effect of sanctions. Page 7.

Germany Is Losing the Cold War in Court

By Stephen Kinzer New York Times Service

BERLIN - In a decision that underscored the difficulties prosecutors face in winning convictions of former East German leaders, the country's top appeals court threw out a guilty verdict on Wednesday against the former chief of East Germany's foreign intelligence service, Marcus Wolf, and ordered a new

Mr. Wolf, a legendary figure who was East Germany's spymaster for more than 30 years, was convicted in 1993 of treason and sentenced to six years in fail. But the Federal Criminal Court ruled Wednesday that he could not be jailed for directing operations that were permissible under

Mr. Wolf's case is one of several that are going poorly for prosecutors, leading many Germans to conclude that their legal

A Mass Exodus Reshapes Sarajevo

Prominent Writer Joins Thousands Leaving City

system is incapable of redressing injustices committed in East Germany.

"The law is simply not written for crimes like these," said Uta Folster, a spokeswoman for Berlin prosecutors. Laws are designed to punish individuals, not regimes or governments. But especially in light of the fact that so little was done in this country to prosecute criminals from the Nazi period, we feel obligated to make at least an effort."

But some people question whether the cases were a good idea in the first place. These trials reek of politics, of the desire of a winner to punish a loser," said Uwe Wesel, a law professor at Free University in Berlin. "What the defendants did may have been repugnant, but almost all of it was legal under East German law."

Perhaps the best-known East German Golodkowski, who was the Communist regime's best-connected financier and currency trader. On Wednesday, the Berlin

newspaper Der Tagesspiegel reported that Mr. Schalck-Golodkowski was in China with a delegation of German business leaders looking for investment opportunities. A judge was said to have given him permission to make the trip despite the fact that he is on trial in Berlin on charges

of arms smuggling. The case against Mr. Schalck-Golodkowski, a many-tentacled trader who used his wide network of Western contacts to convert East German assets into hard currency, charges him with the relatively petty crime of importing 246 night-vision lenses and 169 hunting rifles and flintlock pistols into East Germany.

'As is generally known, I was for years in close contact with senior West German politicians, including many who are still in office," Mr. Schalck-Golodkowski said dryly at the opening of his trial last month. "None of them ever mentioned that they

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China Poised To Throw Out **Hong Kong** Rights Bill

Move Is 'Shocking Blow' To the Colony's Hopes For Autonomy After 97

By Kevin Murphy

HONG KONG -A potentially damage ing disagreement between China and Britain over civil liberties in Hong Kong flared Wednesday after an advisory body close to the Chinese government recommended that key human-rights laws in the territory be scrapped or amended after 1997.

The proposals by the pro-Beijing Pre-liminary Working Committee to limit Hong Kong's 1991 Bill of Rights have stepped up fears that civil liberties will become vulnerable in local courts when the

colony reverts to Chinese rule in 1997. A statement from Hong Kong's Demo-cratic Party said, "We believe these proposals are a shocking blow to freedom

posals are a shocking blow to treedom after 1997 and represent a real threat to Hong Kong people ruling themselves with the promised high degree of autonomy."

"No legislature elected by and accountable to Hong Kong people would ever pass these draconian proposals by the PWC into law," said the party, which is led by Martin Lee, a local legislator and lawyer. The new dispute arises as the United

The new dispute arises as the United Nations prepares to examine Hong Kong's human-rights record in hearings in Geneva beginning Thursday.

At the same time, renewed signs of deep division between the two sides over human-rights safeguards and Hong Kong's legal system could disrupt the relative calm lately in British-China relations, local offi-

"It's not a surprise," said a senior Hong Kong government official. "But given the

timing, it is a shock. It is very serious." The dispute had been relatively quiet in recent years but now promises to be a major factor in talks between London and

Hong Kong's attorney general, Jeremy Mathews, described recommendations made by the Preliminary Working Cornmittee to change provisions in the Bill of Rights as "a retrograde step." The commit-tee is made up of pro-China Hong Kong community leaders and senior Beijing offi-

British diplomats who negotiate with China in the Joint Liaison Group talks strongly urged Beijing to reconsider any change in the Bill of Rights, a package of laws drafted in line with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, a United Nations instrument adopted in 1966. China has not signed the covenant.

"I think those who are recommending the changes to these laws would do us all a great service by explaining how they think those laws would comply with the interna-tional covenant," Mr. Mathews said Wednesday.

The Preliminary Working Committee, set up to advise Beijing, said it had found several elements of the Bill of Rights "inconsistent" with the Basic Law, China's miniconstitution for Hong Kong.

The group urged Beijing to delete articles of the Bill of Rights, in effect a package of laws designed to enshrine the Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in local

Local ordinances pertaining to such areas as broadcasting, public order, telecom-munications and emergency regulations should be replaced by versions that existed before their amendment to conform with the Bill of Rights, according to the Work-

The committee accused Britain of ignor-ing repeated Chinese calls not to enact the Bill of Rights in the early 1990s. A member of the Working Committee's

legal branch, Lo Tak-shing, was quoted by local newspapers as saying, "The Hong Kong public has been misled by the government for many years that if there is no Bill of Rights, there will be no human rights in the territory."

The Working Committee's recommendations are not binding, nor has Beijing formally accepted them. But a high-profile, Beijing-sanctioned release of the committee's report led many legal analysts and

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GI Says UN Blue Is Not His Color

By Bradley Graham

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Army has charged a 22year-old medic with disobeying orders for declining to wear a United Nations patch and blue cap as his battalion was preparing for duty in the Balkans

The case of Specialist Michael G. New has become a political lightning rod for congressional Republicans opposed to U.S. forces serving in UN peacekeeping efforts, and came as American troops are increasingly directed to participate in UN operations abroad.

But the army, framing the issue as a matter of discipline, not politics, has shown no willingness to accommodate Specialist New's concerns, denying his request for reassignment to a unit not involved in UN peacekeeping.

Yeltsin Writes Off NATO Force

MOSCOW - President Boris N. Yeltsin said Wednesday that Russian troops would not serve in a multinational force in Bosnia-Herzegovina under NATO command. In an interview with a French television station, the

Russian president was asked whether Russian troops would take part in a peacekeeping force. He said: "Under the aegis of NATO, no." He defended his country's role in the peace process so far, saying Russia had contributed more than the United States, Britain, France and Germany, the four other members of the Contact Group that has been trying to mediate a settlement in the Balkan war. Army commanders told the medic to go with his battalion to Macedonia, once a part of Yugoslavia, or

The departure of Semezdin Mehmedinovic, writer and poet, coffee fiend and urban cowboy, was a sad day for

Sarajevo. If anyone had encapsulated the struggle to save the soul of this cultural crossroads, he was it. His book of

short stories, "Sarajevo Blues," is widely considered here

to be the best piece of writing to emerge from this besieged capital since Bosnia's war crupted in April 1992.

Written as a series of vignettes, it casts the wry, existential eye of a 20th-century man on the Serbs' medieval-style siege. Absent is any of the pious self-righteousness that has infected much of the literary work

Mr. Mehmedinovic is one of about 25,000 Sarajevans

who have left the besieged part of this city in the last three months in the biggest exodus since the war began, ac-

cording to high court statistics published this week in Sarajevo's leading magazine, War Days.

His departure is part of a huge shift in the ethnic and cultural mosaic of this city that has recently accelerated

as more and more intellectuals and skilled people like Mr. Mehmedinovic have come to the conclusion that their

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of the intellectuals here.

For nearly a decade during his childhood, Specialist New's parents worked as Christian missionaries in the South Pacific. He said that he was not seeking a confrontation with the army, but that he joined the service two and a half years ago to uphold the U.S. Constitution, not the UN charter.

After he refused last week to wear the UN items when his battalion in Germany fell into formation with the patches and caps for the first time - the army started

It first offered him a "nonjudicial punishment" to be decided by his commander. That could have meant demotion in rank, forfeiture of pay, assignment of extra duties, restriction to quarters or some other punitive

Specialist New declined, inviting a public hearing of

"He feels he hasn't done anything wrong, and accepting a nonjudicial punishment would have been an admission of guilt," said his father, Daniel D. New, a landscape designer in Conroe, Texas, "Also, a court-martial would provide an open record, and he would like to have both

But it is not certain he will get his day in court.

The case is now before Major General Montgomery C.

Meigs, commander of the 3rd Infantry Division, who could order a court-martial. But the general could direct that an administrative sanction be imposed instead, ranging from a letter of admonition to dismissal from the army. Or he could choose to take no action on the charges, which were referred to him Tuesday by Specialist New's brigade commander.



The U.S. ambassador, John Menzies, left, greeting Richard C. Holbrooke in Sarajevo. Bosnia and Yugoslavia agreed to open liason offices. (Page 8)

AGENDA

González Facing a Spanish Senate Inquiry

MADRID (Reuters) - The Spanish Senate decided Wednesday to investigate allegations that Prime Minister Felipe González's government oversaw a 1980s war by security force death squads against Basque rebels. The inquiry was approved on a 128-to-127 vote. Mr. González has denied persistent accusations that he knew about the activities of the shadowy Anti-Terrorist Liberation Groups against the separatist guerrilla organization ETA, or Basque Homeland and Freedom. The move increases pressure on Mr. González, add-

ing to court efforts to determine whether he knew of the campaign that claimed 27 lives from 1983 to 1987.
Opposition parties on the left and right united against Mr. González's governing Socialists to support

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Evolution of Discontent / A Fatherly Smile and a Firm Hand

Indonesia Wonders: Who Comes After Suharto?

By Robert Kroon Special to the International Herald Tribune

"AKARTA — Since Indonesia proclaimed its independence from the Netherlands 50 years ago, the world's fourth most populous nation has known only two leaders, Sukarno and the current president, Suharto.

Their backgrounds, personalities and records could hardly be more different. A civil engineer-turned-agitator, Mr. Sukamo started the independence war against the Dutch and became president in 1949.

His political adventurism ruined the economy and finally triggered a Communist-in-spired coup attempt in 1965. Mr. Suharto, then an unknown army general, thwarted the putsch, deposed Mr. Sukarno and took power

Almost 28 years and five elections later, he is still in office and, at the age of 74, has hinted that he wants to lead his nation into the next

But last month, as Indonesia commemorated its 50th independence anniversary with a nationwide fiesta and self-congratulary speeches, one nagging question was on everybody's mind: the president's age and his unresolved succession.

Except for occasional kidney-stone problems, the president seems in reasonable health, but the post-Suharto era remains a consuming puzzle that dominates the Jakarta rumor mill and worries many foreign in-

Though the president has reached an age when many people have already retired, the question of who will succeed him remains in

Mr. Suharto has outlasted all other world leaders except Fidel Castro of Cuba, and considering the size and importance of the Indonesian Republic, he ranks as one of the world's most powerful leaders.

Mr. Suharto has warned he will "clobber anyone who tries to unseat me unconstitu-

If there should be a vacancy in the office of the president, Vice President Try Sutrisno, a former army chief of staff, will automatically

Whether the amicable Mr. Try, who remains in Mr. Suharto's shadow, has enough presidential timber to run for office in his own right is still unclear.

When asked in a rare interview whether he planned to run for a sixth term, the silver-haired president smiled and said. "As a democrat who believes in the wisdom of our constitutional system, everything regarding the presidential seat will be decided by the Indonesian people in a constitutional way."

ny future changes in the direction of Indonesian society will need the support of the military, and that includes the issue of Mr. Suharto's

Most observers and foreign diplomats in Jakarta agree that Indonesia's armed forces

The armed forces will continue backing Mr. Suharto, analysts said, as long as the military gets its share of the perks, including business contracts and ambassadorships for retired

Outside the military, though, there is considerable discontent with Mr. Suharto's

reign.
A growing middle class, already accounting for 15 percent of the urban population, has joined intellectuals and students in a rising clamor for change.

High on the list of irritants is the fact that a cluster of influential conglomerates is run by Suharto's six children and unrelated tycoons - predominantly of Chinese origin. Some of



President Suharto, left, is only the second president Indonesia has had in 50 years.

the businessmen own private islands off the Jakarta coast and think nothing of inviting 1,000 friends and relatives to million-dollar

This ostentation draws growing criticism, even in the controlled press.

Ruslan Abdulgani, a respected former freedom fighter and foreign minister, said that the ideals of the freedom struggle were "being manipulated by some for their own interests. "We have given the people freedom," he added. "We must also give them prosper-

had a profound impact on Indonesia.

When he took power from Mr. Sukamo in the mid-1960s, the rich prewar Netherlands Indies had become a shambles, with four-digit inflation and a worthless currency. Today, while still trailing Malaysia and other regional economic "tigers," Indonesia has emerged as a fast-growing cub.

Through the years, Mr. Suharto has forged his presidency into a pillar of personal power. ruling his 200 million subjects with a fatherly smile and a firm hand.

"He takes all the major decisions and most of the minor ones, without being held ac-countable," said an American diplomat in Jakarta. The Parliament is dominated by the Golkar "functional group." controlled by the government and the military. Of the 500 parliamentarians, 75 are military

appointees. No ambassador is nominated, no ministerial trip abroad planned, no roads, bridges or harbors costing more than \$5 million built, no foreign investment accepted without Mr.

Suharto's nod. Free labor unions or public dissent are banned under the terms of the "Anti-Haatza-(hate-sowing) edict, conveniently borrowed from the prewar Netherlands-Indies

nlike the flamboyant Mr. Sukarno, who worked the crowds, Mr. Suharto works behind the scenes. He keeps his rivals off balance, his critics at bay and everybody else guessing about his plans, especially the succession. A poor speaker and a somewhat mystical introvert who occasionally consults astrologers, Mr. Suharto shuns crowds and parties.

Born into a poor central-Javanese farmer family, the president prefers the atmosphere of his old officer's villa to the splendor of the Istana Merdeka, the colonial palace, which Mr. Sukarno took over as soon as the last

Dutch governor-general had left.
Although he retired from the army many years ago, Mr. Suharto's style of command clearly reflects his military background. After the upheaval of 1965, the armed forces were given a dwifungsi, or dual function, in the Indonesian state structure: They were to defend the country from outside threats, and at the same time, they were to safeguard internal

stability. Down to the remotest corners of an archipelago that sprawls over one-seventh of the earth's circumference, local military commanders oversee civil administrators. Any sign of political unrest is promptly reported to the army leadership and the president in Jakar-

This hybrid system draws its legitimacy from *Pancasila*, the misty state philosophy that is drummed like a mantra into every Indonesian from childhood. Pancasila's five articles of faith proclaim the unity of the 13,650-island republic, freedom of religion, "deliberative" democracy, social justice and

Indonesia is home to the world's largest Muslim population, but we are definitely not an Islamic state," Mr. Suharto said in the interview. "People of different faiths have always lived here in harmony. The rise of extremism in some countries has taught us valuable lessons. We reject all forms of ex-tremism, from the right or from the left." Mr. Suharto has an unshakable commit-

ment to national stability:
"With our 300 ethnic groups, multiparty democracy could lead to a Yugoslav-type blow-up," said a senior Indonesian diplomat. "A Western-style parliamentary system is a luxury we cannot yet afford."

ast month, Mr. Suharto ticked off his achievements before a special "Golden Jubilee" session of Indonesia's rubberstamp Parliament.

Under his 28-year leadership, he noted, Indonesia, once the world's biggest rice importer, had become self-sufficient in the national staple, per-capita income increased from \$55 to \$900 a year, and the economy had grown at a 7 percent annual rate.

Indonesians' life expectancy had risen from 46 to 63 years, and "the average Indonesian tot is now 2.3 centimeters taller and a pound heavier than 25 years ago," Mr. Suharto said with paternalistic pride.

Even his critics concede that Indonesia has come a long way under Mr. Snharto's one-

Political stability kept Mr. Suharto's fiveyear development plans on track and on

Spurred by deregulation, foreign investment approvals last year reached \$23 billion, compared with \$8.4 billion in 1993. The economy is likely to forge ahead by 7 percent more In Jakarta, new skyscrapers and hotels rise

at a breathtaking pace, adding to the congestion and traffic jams in this city of 10 million.

the population now lives below the poverty line, compared with 60 percent in 1979. But the glaring inequity of wealth distribution could be a political time bomb, as it has been in much of the world.

Millions of Jakarta's poor languish in squalid city kampongs, or villages, in the shadow of the capital's multitude of skyscrap-

COMING UP

Scottish nationalism, a phenomenon that tapered off in the 1980s, may be making

The Choice Is Dayton For Bosnia Peace Talks

David, it isn't.

After an exhaustive search for a site for the Bosnia peace talks, where bitter enemies can be persuaded to put aside ancient animosities in secure and everybody could concentrate congenial surroundings, the on the business at hand: making Clinton administration has finally made its choice: Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio.

keep out prying journalists. The presidents of Serbia, Croatia, and Bosnia-Herzegovina will Officials said that Wrighteach be accommodated in idenfrom Washington, so it will be easy for Secretary of State War-ren M. Christopher and other senior officials to shuttle back

When they invited the lead-

ers of the former Yugoslavia WASHINGTON - Camp and a host of international mediators to "Camp David-style talks" in the United States, beginning on Oct. 31, administration officials were determined to find a site where peace. It had to be easily accessible, but sufficiently remote to discourage Balkan warlords from running off to There are lots of fences to television studios in New York

Patterson had beaten out such tical generals' quarters. Dayton sites as the navy base at New-is only an hour's flying time port, Rhode Island, and Langley Air Force Base in Norfolk, Virginia. "We needed a place where

we can sequester the participants until we get a final result," one official said.

Senate Puzzled By Balkan Plan

U.S. Mission Is Examined

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - In two days of congressional testimony by three Clinton adminis-tration officials, Republicans and Democrats alike exposed NATO plan that is supposed to send up to 25,000 American troops to help enforce a peace settlement in Bosnia-Herze-

The most serious inconsissaid at hearings in the Senate on need not be approved by the Tuesday and Wednesday, is its commitment to participate impartially in a neutral NATO Mr. Penry said, although he same time it guarantees an non-NATO nations "might re-"equilibrium of forces," as quire a UN resolution." Secretary of Defense William J. Perry put it, between the Bosni- where the Russians fit in, and an government and its Croatian the hearings underscored the allies on one side and the Serbs failure of the United States and on the other.

own plan — separate from the Bosnia. the Bosnian government's military forces.

Senator Richard Lugar, the Republican of Indiana who is seeking his party's presidential nomination, said: "The delica-cy of how you wade into peacekeeping while at the same time disarming one set of forces and beefing up another without becoming an adversary is very difficult to contemplate."

The administration officials admitted that, at this point, there was no plan to accomplish that second goal. "We've not done a survey," Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said. "We don't know what the present equilibrium is."

Mr. Perry acknowledged that it has yet to be decided whether the mission would last for a the training and arming of the year. "There's a great value, a Bosnians and Croats would be done by American and perhaps other troops or by private civilian contractors.

And the third administration official, General John M. Sha- that no timetable was ironclad. likashvili, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, pledged to ing is guaranteed," he said.

limit the arming and training of the Bosnian side to the minimum necessary without setting off an arms race, although he did not say how the United States would prevent third weapons to either side after the contradictions and gaps in the war was over and the arms embargo was lifted.

Another potential difficulty is the legal authorization of the NATO force.

The administration says that the force must be authorized by tency in the administration's the North Atlantic Treaty Orstrategy, several lawmakers ganization's political arm, but peacekeeping force while at the added that the participation of

That raises the question of its NATO allies to find a for-To achieve that goal, the mula for complete Russian par-United States will devise its ticipation in enforcing peace in

peace mission with other NA- Russia has said it would send in a division of Serbs of many of their heavy enforce peace, but President weapons and to arm and train Boris N. Yeltsin declared Wednesday that he would not allow them to be put under NA-

TO command. The three administration officials testified Tuesday and again Wednesday that Russian troops must either report direct-

ly to NATO or play a non-combat role, by building roads, for instance, or clearing mines. The divide is so great, Mr. Perry acknowledged Tuesday, that "it's questionable the Rus-

sian forces will participate." But Moscow already has peacekeeping troops in Bosnia

that would not be required to leave unless there were a Security Council resolution ordering them to do so. All three officials said that

great management value to putting a definite time scale on it and sticking to that timetable," Mr. Perry said. But General Shalikashvili admitted "In operations like this, noth-

Italian AIDS Sufferers Lose Exemption From Jail

By Daniel Williams Washington Post Service

ROME - Italy's highest court overturned a law on Wednesday that automatically let criminals with AIDS out of jail, a law that some convicts had taken advantage of to commit robberies without fear of pun-The ruling by the Constitu-

tional Court in Rome followed public outcries over a summertime spate of robberies by so-

of the entire community."

ill inmates from "time to time" to make sure that the infected were being cared for and that other prisoners were not in danger of contagion. A 1993 law forbid the jailing

of anyone in the last stages of a fatal illness, a category that covered AIDS patients. tention without trial, but after

the court ruling they can be jailed under so-called preventive detention when suspected called AIDS gangs, particularly in the industrial city of Turin.

The court ruled that, in practice, the law had "granted a sort of impunity to the ill that did not touchables" by newspapers, carried out three bank robberies

respect the defense of the health in Turin in August. They netted \$150,000 and held news con-The judges softened the ruling a bit by saying that courts must check on the conditions of still missing.

TRAVEL UPDATE

5 French Rail Unions Call for One-Day Strike

PARIS (Reuters) — Five trade unions that represent French rail workers called a one-day national strike for October 25 to protest the "carving up" of the SNCF state rail company and to demand salary negotiations.

The unions said in a joint statement that they

ere calling on employees "of all grades and AIDS patients were also ex-jobs to act in a united front against the carving up empt from laws that permit de-of the SNCF and for the defense of jobs, status, jobs to act in a united front against the carving up an increase in pay and pensions."

A one-day strike by France's 5 million public

sector employees brought railroad, buses, un-derground trains, schools, post offices and a other services and state-owned companies to a near standstill a week ago. That stoppage, the biggest in almost a decade, was called to protest the conservative govern-

ment's refusal to raise civil service pay next year

Cholera has killed 10 people in Dakar, Senelast month, a medical official there said Wednes-

beyond its contractual commitments.

day. The outbreak of the disease followed a strike by the city's garbage workers. (Reuters) Women visiting Egypt should wear a veil in

keeping with the country's Islamic traditions, a lawyer known for defending Muslim militants

An 85-year-old man who thought Berlin's public transport system was hazardous, especially in the evening, left 5 million Deutsche marks (\$3.54 million) in gold, silver, coins and stamps to the transport authorities for safety improvements, the city authorities said Wednes-(Reuters)

Dubai will raffle more than 50 kilograms (110 pounds) of gold and offer 43 luxury Lexus cars in prizes to promote the Gulf Arab emirate as a shopping and tourist paradise. (Reuters)

Hikers in Canada who get hurt or lost while wandering through the country's national parks will soon have to pay the rangers who rescue day of NATO's bombing camthem. The parks service will demand reimbursegal, where 120 cases have been recorded since ment for emergency rescues and medical treatment in wilderness areas.

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French Pilots 'Kidnapped'

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — The Bosnian Serbian rebel leader, Radovan Karadzic, announced here Wednesday that two French pilots shot down during a NATO bombing mission had been kidnapped from a hospital.

He said the pilots were taken "either by a group seeking a ransom, or by Bosnian Mus-Mr. Karadzic said he had or-

dered a "rigorous" inquiry into

the incident. Foreign Minister Hervé de Charette of France said he would seek further information. The airmen's jet was shot down over Serbian-held terripaign to force the rebel Serbs to treat-withdraw their heavy guns from (AP) around the capital. Sarajevo.

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Ready to Work Together, Libyan Asserts

han on Wednesday for the Hundreds of thousands of "Million Man March" on black men attended the march Washington and offered to supin Washington on Monday and heard Mr. Farrakhan portray The Libyan press agency JANA said that Colonel Gadthe United States as a white supremacist society. hafi spoke with Mr. Farrakhan

Mr. Farrakhan reportedly told Colonel Gadhafi that the response to the march had exceeded expectations.

by telephone and that "the leader of the revolution con-gratulated Louis Farrakhan on the outstanding success realized "We pledged to work togethby the historic march of the cr so that the black nation can blacks which swept and violentobtain its rights in America, use of peaceful means and civil rights, Mr. Farrakhan was "Such marches will enable blacks to recover their rights, notably the right of the black

quoted as saying. Colonel Gadhafi reminded Mr. Farrakhan that there were will have a weight bigger than 400,000 blacks in the U.S. that of the Jews who control American continent," Colonel Army, and that "this makes the America."

Libya has been subject to United Nations sanctions since 1992 for failing to hand over for trial two men accused of in-volvement in the 1988 midair bombing of a Pan American World Airways flight over Lockerbie, Scotland. JANA's political editor said: "The prominent event in the

history of blacks is the beginning of what the revolutionary leader has announced previously — the need for Muslims, Ar-abs and blacks in America to ly shook the American capital and remove racism and dis-by peaceful and civilized crimination from it, through the American candidate in their favor in the next presidential elec-

> "This way," the editor said, "the Muslims, blacks and Arabs



Louis Farrakhan basking in the spotlight after the march: "You will get to know me."

The Aftershocks of the March Legislators Call for Race-Relations Panel

By Steven A. Holmes New York Times Service

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dence and its freedom on the

WASHINGTON — Seeking to build on the momentum generated by the rally of hundreds of thousands of black men in Washington, six members of Congress have asked President of the House, Newt Gingrich. Bill Clinton to appoint a national commission on race relations, while Louis Farrakhan, who organized the gathering, suggested that it had made him a force on the national scene.

"I know you do not know me," Mr. Farrakhan, the leader of the Nation of Islam, said at a news conference, "but I know you will get to know me. And you're going to have to live with me. To some, I am a nightmare. But to others I am a dream come true." With the memories of Mon-

day's rally fresh in their minds. politicians, scholars and civilrights leaders groped to find meaning in the "Million Man March," wondering if it represented a watershed in race relations or a one-day event with no

Commentators, intellectuals

coming in the aftermath of the divisive acquittal of O. J. Simpson on murder charges, focused the attention of the nation's leaders on the subject of race as no recent events have. Indeed, the two galvanizing events prompted extensive statements by Mr. Clinton and the speaker

What was clear was that the event — which the U.S. Park Police said brought 400,000 to the nation's capital — captured the attention of much of the

Officials at CNN said that 2.2 million households tuned in to Mr. Farrakhan's rambling and complex speech - meaning that more people watched the two-hour-long address on television than any other speech this year, including Mr. Clinton's State of the Union Message and Pope John Paul II's address to the United Nations.

The six members of the House wrote Mr. Clinton the day after the march, urging him to appoint a bipartisan commission to study U.S. race relations since the 1960s and make recommendations on how to im-

The lawmakers said they envisioned a panel similar to the one known as the Kerner Commission, whose 1968 report concluded that the United States was "moving toward two societies, one black, one white

- separate and unequal."
"We believe," their letter said, "a new, presidentially-appointed, bipartisan commission with impeccable credentials may lead to a healthy discussion and a new era of progress between the races, both of which this country desperately

The biracial, bipartisan group was made up of Representatives Charles E. Schumer and Charles B. Rangel, Democrats of New York; Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, Democrat of the District of Columbia; Representative John R. Lewis, Democrat of Georgia; Representative Jim Leach, Republican of Iowa, and Representative Bill McCollum, Re-

At his news conference on Tucsday, Mr. Farrakhan said that "racism, white supremacy and the hatred of Louis Farrakhan disallows them to give us

publican of Florida.

credit" for breaking the record for the largest crowd ever to gather on the Mall in Washing-Only 400,000 on the Mall? The record was set during the 1964 inauguration of President Lyndon B. Johnson, which at-Farrakhan Wants a Recount

WASHINGTON — Continuing a dispute over the number of people who attended the "Million Man March," Louis Farrakhan, the Nation of Islam leader who organized the rally, has pledged to sue the U.S. Park Police to force it to increase its estimate of 400,000.

Mr. Farrakhan and other organizers insisted that the rally drew more than a million people to the Mall. "What would make anyone fail to give us that credit but racism, at the root

arrived at by examining aerial photographs and applying techniques used for other mass demonstrations here.

was no political or ideological motivation behind the count. He said the crowd exceeded such outpourings as the 270,000 for the presidential inauguration in 1993, 300,000 for an April 1989 abortion rights march and 300,000 for an April

of it, white supremacy?" Mr. Farrakhan said.

The Park Police said Tuesday that it stood by its estimate,

"I expected we would have a controversy," said Major Robert H. Hines, a spokesman for the agency. "But we think we have a reasonable and objective number." He said there

1993 lesbian and gay rights march. The 1963 March on Washington, the landmark civil rights demonstration, drew 250,000 people.

Costa Kica Assails Banana Bill WASHINGTON - Senator Dole has tried anew to push through a bill revoking trade benefits for Colombia and Costa Rica in an effort to help a U.S. banana firm, drawing an angry response from Costa Rica.

POLITICALNOTES

WASHINGTON — Colin L. Powell began his book tour talking like a liberal Republican, but as he nears a decision on

whether to run for president, he is trying to sound more

conservative.

General Powell's repositioning reflects a change in tone

rather than a change in position. But in recent interviews he

has been more solicitous of religious conservatives, less asser-

tive about his support for abortion rights and more willing to defend congressional Republicans on tax cuts and Medicare. During an interview on "CBS This Morning," some of General Powell's comments reverberated among Republicans

attempting to discern if the retired chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff will run for president as a Republican.

Powell to run as a Republican.

and House speaker.

"He said the three or four things he had to say to be acceptable for the Republican nomination," said William Kristol, a Republican strategist who has encouraged General

"If he's a liberal Republican who dislikes and is opposed to

the conservative revolution, then he couldn't get the nomina-

tion," Mr. Kristol said. "If he's a moderate Republican who's willing to be part of a broad coalition advancing the conserva-

tive agenda, albeit more slowly and less confrontationally than Gingrich does, then I think he's really got a chance. He tried clearly to put himself on the acceptable side of that line." The reference was to Newt Gingrich, the Georgia Republican

But some conservative Republicans said General Powell's rhetorical efforts fell short.

Ralph Reed, executive director of the Christian Coalition.

said: While I think all religious conservatives appreciate

Colin Powell's warm and generous remarks on the importance of family values, the reality is that if he wants to appeal to those voters he has to move much more dramatically and significantly on matters of public policy, including the sancti-

ty of innocent human life, voluntary prayer in schools, support for the 'Contract With America,' and no longer describ-

Gay Money? I'll Take It, Dole Says

WASHINGTON - Reversing his position on one of the

most criticized decisions of his campaign for the presidency, Senator Bob Dole says it was a mistake to return a \$1,000 donation from a group of homosexual Republicans.

He blamed his aides for returning the donation in August, saying they had not cleared the action with him.

In an interview with reporters from Ohio Mr. Dole the

In an interview with reporters from Ohio, Mr. Dole, the

Senate majority leader, said in response to a question: "Well,

everybody makes mistakes. My view is, because you accept money doesn't mean you agree with their agenda." (NYT)

ing himself as a Rockefeller Republican."

Powell's Slow Turn to the Right

The Senate majority leader told colleagues that his top priority for a huge tax-cutting bill was a special-interest measure revoking trade benefits for the two countries to aid

Chiquita Brands International. Mr. Dole is seeking to keep a promise to Chiquita's owner, Carl Lindner, a substantial contributor to political campaigns and longtime supporter of Mr. Dole. He has a personal

fortune estimated at \$650 million. The Costa Rican government denounced the proposed sanctions, blaming political interests for the move. (AFP)

Quote / Unquote

Vice President Al Gore, speaking to a Democratic rally in New Jersey: "This is the most right-wing, extremist, antifamily Congress in the history of this century. We need to vote them out of there."

Away From Politics

 Governor Pete Wilson of California has signed a bill to let voters decide whether to remove mountain lions' protected status and allow a resumption of cougar hunting, which was banned in the state nearly a quarter-century ago. Attacks by the animals on humans have mounted considerably in recent

• A teenager on a bus in Baltimore fixed a gun through the door, striking and killing Cynthia Jones, 39, who was holding a baby girl in her arms. The child was not hit.

(AP)

 An autopsy in Salt Lake City has implicated an air bag in the death of a 5-year-old boy whose neck was broken when his grandmother's car bumped into a concrete planter box in a parking lot. The dual air bags inflated in the Oct. 10 accident, twisting Jordan West's head.

Three months after the Indian Point 3 nuclear power plant in Buchanan, New York, resumed generating power after a complete overhaul of its operating procedures, potentially dangerous management problems persist, according to federal officials and the nuclear industry's own internal quality-

Gingrich Reconsiders Debt-Limit Offer to White House "We consistently find ourselves getting gamed" by the White House, he said.

WASHINGTON - The White House on Wednesday quickly accepted an offer by Newt Gingrich, the speaker of the House, to raise the debt limit temporarily to give Congress and the administration more time to agree to a budget

But within a few hours, Mr. Gingrich, Republican of Georgia, said he was reconsidering Tuesday's offer and sharply accused the administrative of planting application with the particular tion of playing politics with the nation's

to Bob Dole, Republican of Kansas, the Senate majority leader. "We have no belief the Treasury has accurate figures. We have no belief that Rubin's advice is anything other than politics." The White House expressed frustration with

Mr. Gingrich's on-again, off-again support of a debt-limit extension.

balanced-budget legislation to the White House by Nov. 14, with a debt-limit extension attached, debt-limit extension.

The White House press secretary, Michael McCurry, said, "We'll ask him to bring up the facts and figures and explain how much money they think they need."

Mr. Gingrich said he wanted to meet with Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin before deciding whether to proceed with legislation the administration says is necessary to maintain routine borrowing at the Treasury.

finances.

"We're going to talk it through some more with Dole about what to do," he said, a reference which Mr. Rubin could be placed under oath— Mr. Gingrich did not say whether that would or a more private session with members of the Republican Party leadership. His comments were the latest chapter in a rapidly unfolding drama that blends politics with high finance.

Congressional Republicans intended to send

hoping President Bill Clinton would not veto the underlying package of spending cuts.

But the Treasury Department on Tuesday an-nounced a sharp reduction in short-term borrowing plans, saying the government would run into difficulty before mid-November.

tracted 1.2 million people to the

The rally prompted Mr. Clin-

ton to give a major address on

race relations at the University

of Texas at Austin in which he

urged blacks and whites to

clean their houses" of racism.

Mr. Gingrich, who was a target of some of Mr. Farrakhan's

stinging oratory, called the march "a wake-up call for all of

"In a wonderful irony, typi-

cal of American history," the Georgia Republican said, "all

of us owe Louis Farrakhan a

thank you for having told all of

us, if the pain level is great

enough for him to be a leader,

then we all have a lot bigger

challenge to lead."

Mr. Gingrich reacted a short while later by saying that legislators would agree to raise the debt limit to tide the nation over until mid-November, and Mr. McCurry welcomed the gesture first thing Wednesday morning.

"That sounds like a reasonable idea," Mr. McCurry said of the speaker's offer to extend the

The exact date the government may be unable to pay its bills if the debt-calling deadlock persists is unclear. Some have said it could be as soon as Nov. 15, when the government is scheduled to make a payment of \$25 billion it owes in interest to holders of Treasury securities.

for local government.

The Treasury Department's announcement was an effort to buy the government a few extra days before its ability to borrow cash is

The Treasury announced that it would offer

only \$6 billion in three-month Treasury bills at

auction next week, about half the usual amount.

It is also suspending applications from states and municipalities for special securities tailor-made

Washington Speaks Out Against Quebec Secession

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Warren M. Christor for Mr. Ouellet, Yves Brodeur. alists against Quebec separatists Wednesday, saying that Canada's relations with the United States could suffer from a breakup.

"I do want to emphasize the high value we place on our relationship with a strong and unit-ed Canada," Mr. Christopher said at the outset of talks here with Foreign Minister André Ouellet of Canada.

"We cultivated our ties very carefully," he said, adding: "We should not take for granted that a different kind of orga-nization will have exactly the same type of ties." The secretary's remarks appeared to put the Clinton ad-

ministration square in the middle of the Quebec secessionist debate. Its outcome is to be decided Oct. 30 in a referendum. Officials of the Canadian

"We're certainly happy with

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches the position the Americans

An official in Prime Minister Jean Chretien's office said: "Obviously we think this is a very strong message, and it's the strongest we've received from a foreign government."

Mr. Christoper said, "I don't want to intrude on what is rightfully an internal issue in Canada.' But he added, "At the same time I want to emphasize bow much we have benefited here in the United States from an opportunity to have the kind of relationship that we do have at the present time with a strong and united Canada."

He did not explain how relations might change if Quebec separated from Canada. But his remarks were seen as a possible reference to dispute over whether an independent Quebec would automatically belong government welcomed the, to the North American Free Trade Agreement.

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Washington and Tokyo remain close allies to balance China's emerging might.

NEWS ANALYSIS

By Michael Richardson

International Herald Tribune

SINGAPORE - Worried by friction between

the United States and Japan over security and trade issues, East Asian countries are openly warning that stability and rapid economic growth in the region can be maintained only if After a bruising dispute in the summer over

American access to the Japanese automobile market, the U.S.-Japan alliance has been shaken again by the indictment of three U.S. servicemen on charges of abducting and raping a 12-year-old

time that Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama of military strength to seek a dominant position.

The meeting between Prime

"Japan first proposed that

Japan meets in Tokyo with President Bill Clinthe two countries.

Fear of China: East Asians Urge U.S.-Japan Closeness

Asian officials said a report this week that the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency had eaves- for Japan to rearm and ensure freedom of air and dropped on private talks between Japanese officials and car company executives during the had added to the sense of Japanese mistrust of

and director- general of the National Security nuclear weapons or armed forces with long-Council in the Philippines, said that Beijing range striking power. might misread the disputes between America

Countries in the region say they fear that China They go on trial in Japan next month, about the may be tempted to use its growing economic and

esence in the Western Pacific will balance China's growing military might, reduce the need

sea navigation. In the view of East Asian countries, the al-U.S.-Japan auto negotiations in Geneva in June liance also helps restrain latent rivalry between China and Japan by reassuring Beijing that as long as the Japanese remain under the U.S. José T. Almonte, presidential security adviser security umbrella, Tokyo will not need its own

Asian officials who are in regular contact at a and Japan as "hampering their ability to respond high level with the Chinese say that Beijing fears in unison to a Chinese assertion of power in East a resurgent Japan and wants the United States to not ended the usefulness of the U.S. military maintain a military presence in the region — at presence in the region.

least until China becomes stronger.

presence in the region.

He said that for "the foreseeable future, the

Soviet threat in Asia had lessened the value of the

"We must keep the U.S. in Asia," said alliance for a significant number of Japanese on ton. The meeting is expected to focus on ways of stengthening the security partnership between on a visit to Tokyo. "A continuing U.S. strategic political spectrum. At the same time, isolationist tendencies and

budgetary pressures in the United States have given rise to more frequent questions about whether Japan is pulling its weight as an ally.

Asian countries worry that with more tough trade issues still to be tackled and the leaders of both countries facing elections in the next 13 months, there will be a strong temptation for Japanese and U.S. officials to adopt hardline negotiating positions to appeal to voters.

Speaking Monday at the East-West Center in Hawaii, President Fidel V. Ramos of the Philip-

least until China becomes stronger.

He said that for "the foreseeable future, the Officials said the end of the Cold War and the U.S. must continue to be the main prop of the East Asian balance of power.

Seoul Is Scrubbing Summit With Japan Colonialism Clouds Talks

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
SEOUL — A planned
Japanese-South Korean sumparties were not on an "equal footing." But that did not end the dispute. mit meeting has been scrapped Many Koreans still harbor strong resentment over atrocamid a deepening diplomatic dispute over Tokyo's version of ities committed during Japan's its colonial rule over Korea, a 35-year rule of the peninsula, Foreign Ministry spokesman which ended in 1945 with said Wednesday.

Canada on Monday on an of- South Korean politicians would

Japan's World War II defeat. In a related development, Minister Tomiichi Murayama South Korea's governing of Japan and President Kim Democratic Liberal Party on Wednesday shelved an annual originally set for Sunday at the United Nations in New York. South Korea-Japan lawmakers' meeting, scheduled for early meeting, scheduled for early November.

the summit meeting at the UN
be canceled in consideration of the regular plenary session of Kothe busy schedules of both lead-rea-Japan lawmakers because ers during the UN world sum- there is no change in Japan's mit," a Foreign Ministry perception of Korea's history," said a party spokesman, Sohn South Korea informed Japan Hak Kyu. Mr. Sohn said, however, that meeting before Mr. Kim left for the decision did not mean that

Sentiment against remarks Japanese counterparts in less-made by Mr. Murayama was official settings. The South Korean Foreign rea's decision to scrap the meet- Ministry recently issued a stateg, the spokesman said. ment rejecting remarks by Mr. Murayama stirred anger Japan's foreign minister, Yohei in both North and South Korea Kono, that Japan was not responsible for the division of

stop meeting with their

Mr. Kono was reacting to Korea in 1910 took place under Mr. Kim's statement in an ina valid treaty. Both Koreas say terview with The New York the pact was invalid because it Times last week that Japan was The Japanese prime minister Japanese colonial rule, Korea

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In Control Of Army

BEITING — President Jiang Zemin and China's new military leadership were shown on state television Wednesday watching naval exercises that included missile firings.

a series of appearances designed to show that Mr. Jiang commands the loyalty of the People's Liberation Army. That loyalty is seen as crucial if he is to succeed in his bid to succeed Deng Xiaoping as the country's paramount leader. It was unclear exactly when the exercises took place.

through binoculars.

The television announcer said the commanders pledged 'under the leadership of the party central committee and the Central Military Commission with Jiang Zemin at the core' to protect China, its people and Communist Party and to "safeguard the reunification of the motherland" - a reference to bringing Taiwan back under Beijing's rule.

was backed by the threat of responsible for the division bethe United States and then dithe end of World War II, diNorth Korea Rejects Seoul's Protest

SEOUL - North Korea refused to accept a note from the United Nations Command in South Korea that protested a North Korean soldier's infiltration, the command said Wednesday. The command's senior representative, Major General Lee Suk

Bok, tried to hand the message over at the truce village of Panmunjom late Tuesday, but the North's representative "refused to accept the message," the UN Command said in a statement. The infiltrator was shot and killed before dawn Tuesday.A second commando was seen escaping back into North Korea under cover of darkness 14 hours later.

Jiang Shown support from the coalition led by her low-caste Hindu party, Bahujan Samaj Party. (AP) A Russia-China Border Finalized BELJING - A 1994 Chinese-Russian agreement settling a dispute over a western section of the countries' 4,000-

The tableau was the latest in

President Jiang, wearing dark glasses, a leather cap and a green military coat, was shown seated on the deck of a navy cruiser in the middle of his military commanders to watch the display, sometimes peering

For the Record

Lee Hong Koo, prime minister of South Korea: "You cannot rule out the possibility of adventurous military provocation if you look at the situation in North Korea hit by despair from economic failure and uncertainty over the power

BRIEFLYASIA

TOKYO - The top lawyer for Aum Shinrikyo, Yoshinobu

Aoyama, confessed to an array of charges Wednesday on the

first day of a trial that saw prosecutors portray the sect as a

doomsday cult bent on unleashing a stockpile of nerve gas.

In the biggest trial so far of leaders of the sect, Mr. Aoyama told a packed courtroom that be had joined in 1988 to gain

"salvation" through the group's proto-Buddhist, yogic teachings. Now, he said, he could only feel contrition for its deeds.

"I deeply tegret what has happened, and I'm ashamed of my folly," Mr. Aoyama said, "I should not have done what I did I accept responsibility for it."

Indian State Under Federal Rule

NEW DELHI - India imposed federal rule on its largest

The populous state, among India's poorest but most po-

litically important, will be ruled by a federally appointed governor until a new government is formed, said the an-

nouncement by President Shankar Dayal Sharma's office.
The chief minister of the state, Mayawati, was forced to

resign Tuesday after the Bharatiya Janara Party withdrew its

kilometer border has gone into effect, the Xinhua press

The agreement, signed in September last year, went into force Tuesday immediately after an exchange here of cer-tificates signed by Presidents Jiang Zemin of China and Boris

The legislatures of China and Russia have approved the

pact, which covers a 56-kilometer (35-mile) section. (AFP)

Tokyo Urged to Cut Troop Levels

TOKYO - The Defense Agency of Japan has called for

cuts in troop strength in line with post-Cold War streamlining efforts, government officials said Wednesday.

The agency made the proposals to a government security council, the officials said. It urged slashing the number of ground troops and reconnaissance units but did not specify the scale of reductions.

(AFP)

No Easing in Bangladesh Strike

been injured so far in the opposition protest.

and Mountain Regions Committee, as saying.

DHAKA, Bangladesh - An anti-government strike entered its third day Wednesday, tightening its grip on the Bangladesh economy. Three people have died and 200 have

Sources in major cities said that tension remained high over the political impasse and that streets were mostly

deserted. But despite homemade bombs being set off in parts

of Dhaka, there were no new casualties or damage reported.

Vietnam has cut by 85 percent the area where opium

poppies are cultivated, but faces growing drug use in cities, a preport quoted Hoang Duc Nghi, head of the Ethnic Affairs

VOICES From Asia

state Wednesday, a day after the governing coalition in Uttar

I did. I accept responsibility for it."

Pradesh collapsed.

agency reported.

Cult Lawyer Confesses at Trial

Gul Hanif, a spokesman for the Pakistani Foreign Ministry spokesman, on the government's decision to expel 17 more Afghans, apparently in retaliation for the mob attack last month on its embassy in Kabul: "We don't have much choice really in the sense that our people were beaten up and it became physically impossible for them to stay on in Kabul."

P. Rajkumar, coordinator of India's project to build its own fighter plane: "It will be a long time before we see it being flown by our air force. We need 400 billion rupees (\$11.6 billion) over the next 12 years."

Philippine Maid Confident of Being Freed

rates - Sarah Balabagan, em- ents and 4-year-old sister in a bracing her parents for the first visiting room at the Al Ain time since escaping execution prison. for killing her United Arab Emirates employer, said Wednesday that she was sure

she would soon be released from prison. "I am very confident I will be freed soon," said Miss Balabagan, the Filipina maid who death for the premeditated muron Saturday was spared execution by the family of the man Baloushi. It rejected her claim

the country again to work," Miss Balabagan said. "I will continue my studies." An Islamic court in the United Arab Emirates last month sentenced Miss Balabagan to

der of Almas Mohammed

The sentence provoked out-

rage in the Philippines, where anger lingers since another Fil-ipina maid, Flor Contempla-"Never. Never will I leave cion, was hanged in Singapore in March. The Baloushi family agreed to drop their demand for the death sentence in exchange for

\$41,000 after the Emirates president, Sheikh Zaid Bin Sultan Nahayan, intervened to urge

Reuters

Miss Balabagan appeared redefense during what she said ily of a murder victim can accept compensation instead of the execution of the culprit.

> in the hands of an appeals court that must decide whether she will still serve a prison term in addition to paying the money to the Baloushis. Miss Balabagan, who shares a cell with 10 other Asian work en, said she was being treated

well in prison, where she and

her cellmates spend their time

"playing cards, singing and

Miss Balabagan's fate is now

she killed last year. Under Islamic law, the famthat she stabbed him in self-Fresh Tamil Tiger Troops Try to Repel Offensive

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

COLOMBO — Tamil Tiger rebels sent have gone another kilometer."

"Terrorist radio transmissions monimized that are bringing

okesman said.

Army losses in fighting Tuesday rose to 39 killed and nearly 300 wounded, he said, ing to bomb Tiger reinforcements coming adding that the military killed more than 60 into the area." the spokesman said. "Our rebels and wounded more than 250.

advance commenced this morning and we

Lanka on Wednesday to blunt a major tored by the army indicate they are bringing government attack involving air and ar- up fresh troops as they cannot stop the illery strikes, a Sri Lankan military advance of our troops," he added.

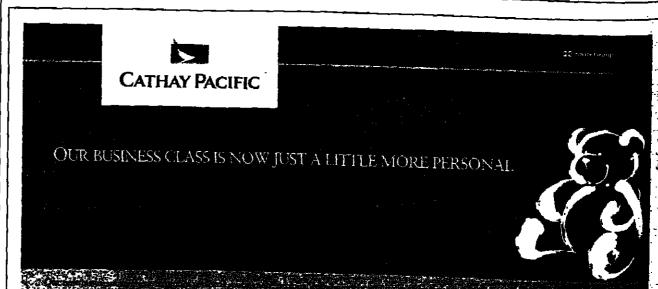
There were no immediate figures for the fighting Wednesday.

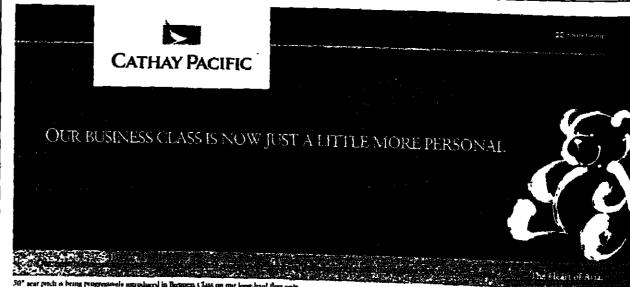
About 7,000 soldiers launched the attack Tuesday and fought close-quarter battles with the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Felam inside the rebels' stronghold of the Jaffna Analysts said the offensive looked like-

separatists.

the first phase of a final push to crush the

(Reuters, AFP)





fresh troops into battle in northern Sri

Claes Makes His Case Today

But Resignation at NATO Is Expected Soon

By Tom Buerkle

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BRUSSELS - Willy Claes will defend himself against corruption allegations Thursday, but Belgian political observers and NATO sources predicted he would be forced to step down as the alliance's secretary-general by this weekend.

Under Federal Rule Mr. Claes planned to proclaim his innocence of involvement in defense-contract kickbacks ते करावासाली श्री हैं हाइन स्था पर हिंदे before a private session of Parliament on Thurs-

The lower house could vote afterward to send Mr. Claes to Belgium's high court for prosecution or it could simply demand a further investigation.

Evidence against him is purely circumstantial,

COL But man a process of the color of the co according to the report of a parliamentary committee that recommended that Mr. Claes be prosecuted. The report Wednesday said the request for indictment from the high court's chief prosecutor "is only based on indications of

But even officials at the Flemish Socialist Party, to which Mr. Claes belonged, said the report was unlikely to sway the vote in the lower partiament because the circumstantial County 3 nature of the case has been widely known for-

"I'm afraid for Willy Claes it doesn't change. An and year age. there of that much," a party official said.

"The general feeling is that Mr. Claes's chances are very limited," a government official

At NATO, although most officials insisted that only a vote for prosecution would require Mr. Claes to resign, some sources said even a further investigation could cloud his future. Thursday's parliamentary appearance will force Mr. Claes to miss two vital meetings at

NATO headquarters, underscoring how the affair was hindering his ability to lead the alliance. While he is defending himself, Strobe Talbott, porting a vote of 6 to 5.

deputy U.S. secretary of state, will brief NATO ambassadors about the Yugoslav peace process and Tuesday's meeting in Moscow of the Con-tact Group. At the same time, Moscow's envoy to the alliance, Vitali Churkin, will discuss with ambassadors the possible terms of Russia's participation in a force led by NATO to police a Yugoslav peace settlement.

It is not an easy time," a NATO diplomat acknowledged.

The high court suspects Mr. Claes, as well as former Defense Minister Guy Coeme of corruption, fraud and forgery over payments made by two companies, Italy's Agusta and France's Dassault, to the Socialist Party in 1989. The companies won major defense contracts shortly after the payments. Mr. Claes was economics minister at the time.

Both men have denied taking any money on their own behalf or the party's, although Mr. Claes has acknowledged that he was told of offers from Agusta.

In a search for hard evidence, investigators are still seeking access to Swiss and Luxembourg bank accounts through which Agusta funds passed. But Jacques Velu, the high court prose-cutor, has charged that Mr. Claes and Mr. Coeme are suspected of several acts in 1988 and 1989 that "seem to constitute the successive and continuous manifestation of the same criminal intention," according to the report of the parliamentary committee.

Most political observers predicted that Parliament would follow the committee's recommendation and send Mr. Claes to the high court for prosecution, but there were several grounds for

The country's main political parties have agreed to let members vote their conscience, making party-line predictions impossible. And the committee apparently decided only narrowly in favor of prosecution, with most sources re-

Strikers Heed Ciller's Call

ANKARA — Striking public employees ordered back to work by Prime Minister Tansu Ciller complied on Wednesday, but warned that they might walk out again if a new coalition government cannot resolve a pay dispute.

A senior official of the labor confederation Turk-Is, Yildirim Koc, said the prospect of the Social Democrats' rejoining a coalition with Mrs. Ciller's True Pathy Party gave hope for a just resolution to the strike that began on Sept. 20, the same day the governing coalition split up.
"If things do not go well, the strike may restart,"

Mr. Koc said.

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The Associated Press

million in damages.

lawsuit was filed Tuesday.

Mrs. Ciller had ordered about 113,000 strikers to

return to work immediately, saying their action was disrupting health and national security."(Reuters)

BRIEFLY EUROPE

Inquiry Is Opened in Sweden

STOCKHOLM - Sweden's public prosecutor's office said Wednesday that it was opening a preliminary inquiry into admitted credit card misuse by Deputy Prime Minister Mona Sahlin, on suspicion that she may have committed breach of trust and

"I have decided to initiate an investigation in these two instances." an an assistant prosecutor, Solveig Riberdahl, said at a news conference, adding that suspicions were just strong enough to warrant

Russian MPs: Thumbs Down

MOSCOW - The lower house of the Russian Parliament rejected the government's draft budget for 1996 on Wednesday, questioning its forecasts for

tax revenue and inflation.

The resolution to pass the budget at the first reading was accepted by only 129 deputies, while 138 voted against it. A majority of 226 votes would have been required to approve it. Later, the State Duma adopted on a 255-to-11 vote a resolution calling on the government to revise its budget projection.

Kohl's Party Rejects Quota

KARLSRUHE, Germany — Chancellor Helmut Kohl failed Wednesday to persuade his Christian Democrats to introduce a women's quota in a reform package intended to revitalize the conservative

Mr. Kohl made an appeal to the party's annual congress to reserve one-third of all party posts and candidacies for women. But the resolution, voted on a day after the European Court of Justice struck down a strict women's quota in Bremen's civil service, failed by fell five votes short of the 501 vote quorum needed for approval. The vote was 496 to 288. (Reuters) (Reuters)

Calendar

European Union events scheduled for Thursday: TALLIN: Budget Commissioner Erkki Liikanen makes official visit to Estonia.

BRUSSELS: João de Deus Pinheiro, commissioner in charge of relations with the African, Caribbean and Pacific states, meets with Kaire Mbuende, executive secretary of the Southern Africa Development Community.

BONN: Karel van Miert, competition commissioner, speaks at a banking conference on competition in the banking sector.

MADRID: Informal meeting of EU culture ministers on quotas for the audiovisual industry. SAINT JOHNS, Newfoundland: Fisheries Commissioner Emma Bonino takes part in the North

Atlantic Fisheries Organization conference. SEVILLE: Social affairs commissioner Padraig Flynn meets with Spanish labor minister José Anto-

Sources: Agence Europe, AFP.

VIENNA — The leader of a far-right Austrian party, Jörg Haider, has forced out of the party a member of Parliament who refused to acknowledge the Nazi Holocaust, state television reported Wednesday.

Mr. Haider, whose Freedom Party is rising steadily in opinion polls ahead of a Dec. 17 general election, took the action shortly after comments by John Gudenus in a televi-

minorities were gassed to death under Hitler, Mr. Gudenus said: "I'll stay out of that one."

Ireland May Cede National Anthem

Agence France-Presse

DUBLIN — The Republic of Ireland's bellicose national anthem, "A Soldier's Song," may become a casualty of the peace process in this divided island, Ireland's prime minister said. In a response to a parliamentary inquiry, Prime Minister John Bruton said, "I am having the position regarding the required procedures for the commissioning and putting in place of a new anthem checked."

"A Soldier's Song" was adopted as the Free State of Ireland's anthem in 1926. Some of the song's lyrics have raised hackles in Northern Ireland.

Greenpeace Sues Paris in U.S. Over Seizing of Ship Near A-Tests LOS ANGELES - Green-French consul-general in Los

Mona Sahlin announcing Tuesday that she would withdraw her candidacy to succeed Prime

Minister Ingvar Carlsson until the inquiry on her use of a government credit card was completed.

peace is suing France in a U.S. Angeles, declined comment. court, demanding the return of Mr. Serlin said the Manutea a ship seized by the French miliwas seized off the coast of the tary in the South Pacific and \$1 French island of Mururoa on "France is subject to United

The captain of the Manutea, States jurisdiction and is an-Brad Ives, said Tuesday on the swerable to its courts," Mark Serlin, an attorney for the envicourthouse steps that the vessel had been boarded and crew ronmental group, said after the members asked for their pass-

Jean-Maurice Ripert, the ports. The crew was later deported, and Mr. Ives was jailed.

The lawsuit also charges kidnapping, assault and battery and abduction of a U.S.-flagged

Mr. Serlin said Greenpeace was also taking legal action in Tabiti, demanding the return of the Rainbow Warrior II and the Greenpeace. Those vessels were seized in international waters.

■ Paris Urged to Pull Envoy

Fiji has told France that it should consider temporarily recalling its ambassador to Fiii because of fears for his safety during the current program of nuclear tests in the South Pacific, The Associated Press reported from Suva, Fiji.

for development cooperation, Jacques Godfrain, last month in Papua-New Guinea.

■ Socialists Condemn Tests The Social Democratic Party of Japan and the Socialist Party of France adopted a joint declaration Wednesday condemning Foreign Affairs Minister Fi-lipe Bole, speaking in New York, said he had made the sug-reported from Tokyo. French nuclear testing in the Pacific, Agence France-Presse

Austrian Rightist Is Out Of Party Over Holocaust

Asked if he believed that millions of Jews and other

Mr. Gudenus quit the party and said he would not stand for re-election. The Freedom Party had 42 seats in Austria's 183-seat parliament, which was dissolved this week.

TONIGHT



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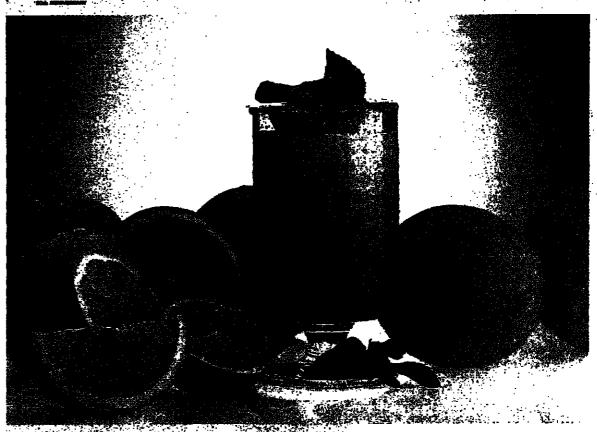
BLACK WHITE & ANGRY

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Smoking rates are failing by 1.1

world, but they are rising by 2.1

percent a year in the developing

United States, tobacco as a

profitable crop and commodity

creates a conflict of interest for

a government also responsible

for improving its people's health," the study said. "Nonetheless, the economic

costs of smoking to both the

individual and society appear to outweigh its perceived bene-

Smoking is widespread in China, and smokers light up

percent of males but only 2 per-

cent of females smoke. The av-

China have a higher tar content,

are more likely to be unfiltered

than those sold in the United

States and thus pose a greater

"Future prospects could be even grimmer," the study

problem is already serious,

trends suggest that it is likely to

women, traditionally the people

Chinese smokers are starting to

ages. As personal income rises,

the Chinese are able to buy

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who smoke least in China. And

While China's smoking

health risk, the study said.

The study revealed that 67

Moreover, cigarettes sold in

frequently.

"In China as well as the

world, analysts say.

By Steven Mufson hington Post Service

BEIJING — A leading American medical journal has called smoking in China "a public health emergency" and urged percent a year in the developed immediate measures to head off "what could become a health

The article in the Journal of the American Medical Association published Wednesday said that lung cancer rates for the entire population of China were increasing by 4.5 percent a year and that lung cancer could claim the lives of 900,000 people a year by 2025.

The report said that people in China, despite their modest in-comes, were willing to spend an average of 60 percent of personal income and 17 percent of household income to buy

cigarettes.
"Even if our survey underestimates incomes by 50 percent, the amount spent on erage smoker smokes 16.5 smoking would still be substancigarettes a day.

tial," the study's authors said. The study was based on door-to-door interviews conducted with 3,423 men and 3.593 women in the Minhang District, a suburban area of a half-million people near Shang-

It was written by doctors from the Shanghai Medical University, the Minhang District Bureau of Health, the Prudential Center for Health Care get worse. The study noted that Research and the Centers for smoking is spreading among Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

The article provides an unusually thorough — and bleak
— view of China, the world's ages. As personal income rises. biggest cigarette market. It suggests that the country's rising income levels could go up in smoke as individuals spend on cigarettes and as the state and aware of the perils associated society bear the costs of smoking-related illnesses.

g-related illnesses.

Dominated by the Chinese has waged a campaign to limit cigarette ads on television, restate tobacco industry, which is strict sidewalk umbrellas bearthe central government's ing cigarette logos and curtail biggest source of tax revenue, the sponsorship of sports teams the Chinese market is now be- by tobacco giants.

Conference To Review **UN's Role**

Agence France-Presse
CARTAGENA, Colombia - President Ernesto Samper of Colombia welcomed 52 heads of state and government on Wednesday for a meeting of the Nonaligned Move-

The leaders are expected to endorse a final document calling for a larger developing world presence on an enlarged United Nations Security Council, and restricted UN peacekeeping efforts with more funds put toward fighting world poverty.

They are also expected to call for an end to the 33-yearold U.S. embargo on Cuba, oppose racism, call for weapons trade restrictions and global strategies and cost-sharing for actions including environmental protection and fighting illegal drugs.
The Cuban leader, Fidel

Castro, who generally gets a warm welcome from crowds when traveling in Latin America, waved to cheering bystanders outside the convenresort city.

In line with changing post-Cold War times, Mr. Castro was not wearing his traditional olive drab military garb but

11th summit meeting. The UN

The fate of Costa 1

candidacy was unclear.



Fidel Castro arriving at the conference on Wednesday.

for several recent official

Yasser Arafat, the chairman of the Palestinian Libtion center in the Caribbean eration Organization, also marched in for the first presidential working session of the Nonaligned Movement's and Eritrea.

a dark business suit, as he has Boutros Ghali, was also on hand for meetings that could help change the organization he leads

With 113 members, the movement was expected to add at least two new members Wednesday: Turkmenistan

The fate of Costa Rica's

Help With a Spy Satellite Germany Poised to Join French Project

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune

advance for European defense, Germany seems ready to give financial and industrial assistance to a proposed French spy satellite that would reduce reliance on data collected by the United States.

German officials said Wednesday that Chancelior Helmut Kohl and key defense and financial ministers agreed last week to spend up to 2 billion Deutsche marks (\$1.4 billion) to make Germany a fullfledged partner in launching a new satellite planned by France. The satellite, Helios-2, will carry cameras capable of photographing in day and night.

Beyond that, the Kohl govemment wants to explore the possibility of European cooperation with the United States, which has a huge lead in satellite technology, to cut the overall price of space-based intelligence for the West.

One of the most costly items in military modernization, satellites are a prime asset for a country that wants its own pictures of crises liable to affect its national interests.

In seeking a future trans-Atlantic dimension, Germany has kept its distance, at least temporarily, from French ambitions of creating a full-blown scratch.

States has a near-monopoly on

increasingly unable to match. Even so, the German decision will help President Jacques Chirac by guaranteeing the funding for the satellite to join the first European spy satellite, He-lios-1. It was built by France with some Italian and Spanish funding and launched last sum-

In addition, Mr. Kohl has sent a timely message to France about the rewards of working with Bonn for closer European unity. Coming amid the anti-Chirac uproar in Europe and

Mr. Chirac. The German decision, which followed months of behind-thescenes bargaining, was important enough for President Bill Clinton to appeal personally to Mr. Kohl to opt for a U.S. al-

That was an unprecedented offer in which Lockheed Martin Corp. was authorized to sell satellites to Germany that previously had remained under U.S. control. These off-the-shelf satellites were much cheaper than a French-German system

European military space program. Currently, the United replied that the U.S. counteroffer came too late. In fact, many Ger-PARIS - In a significant military satellites that Russia is man and other European officials, long accustomed to depending on U.S. intelligence data supplied through NATO. have started to share French concerns that Washington is unre199,96

liable in sharing satellite data. European capitals are still annoyed about the abrupt cutoff of satellite intelligence last year when Congress ordered an end to U.S. help in enforcing the embargo against arms de liveries to Bosnia. Even though the United States said it continued to support NATO's wider policing effort in the Adriatic, the Clinton adminisespecially Germany about Adriatic, the Clinton adminis-French nuclear testing, Mr. tration stopped supplying data Kohl's decision shows how far about the region, even in highly he is willing to go in helping confidential bilateral channels

European officials say. In Washington, Clinton aides played down the significance of the German-French deal, suggesting that it would be years, if ever, before Europe developed enough satellite capability for the United States to consider dealing with them on equal foot-

ing.
But European officials said that John Deutch, the CIA chief, flew to Germany last month in an effort to convince Germany's intelligence community — the main customer. for satellite intelligence — to accept the U.S. offer. He specifbeing built essentially from ically denied reports that the U.S. satellites would carry a socalled "shutter control" device enabling the United States to disable any satellite used in a way disliked by Washington.

The German compromise, tilting to France but soothing Washington, leaves many details to be worked out, according to German news reports.

As originally conceived, German-French cooperation was going to cover both Helios-2 and Osiris, a heavier satellite to be equipped with radar vision capable of seeing through cloud cover to the type that often prevails in Europe.

That deal was supposed to: include a major industrial real structuring between Aerospatiale, France's state-owned defense contractor, and Deutsch Aerospace AG, which is owned by Daimler-Benz.

Panama Is Torn Over Effort to Delay U.S. Pullout

By Tod Robberson Washington Post Service

PANAMA CITY - Reflecting the ambivalence of their leaders, Panamanians appear divided over a proposal to extend the presence of 8,800 U.S. servicemen here beyond a 1999 pullout deadline stipulated in the Panama Canal treaties.

Years ago, riots erupted over the presence of the The study appears at a time S. Southern Command. Today, mention of Amerwhen China is becoming more ica's role here conjures not-so-distant memories of the scores — some say hundreds — of civilians killed during the U.S. invasion of Panama in December 1989 with smoking. The government aimed at ousting the military dictator, General Manuel

Nevertheless, recent polls show that 60 to 70 percent of the population wants U.S. bases here to remain open. But it is clear from dozens of street interviews that the invitation is being extended not for love of

gringos, but for love of their greenbacks.
"Most people want the Americans to stay," said
Seubareno González, a vendor. "I want them to stay. But a lot of people want them only with one condition: that they are going to pay. Either pay or go."

General Barry McCaffrey, the U.S. commander

here, has made clear that his force is pleased with the prospect of moving to Miami.

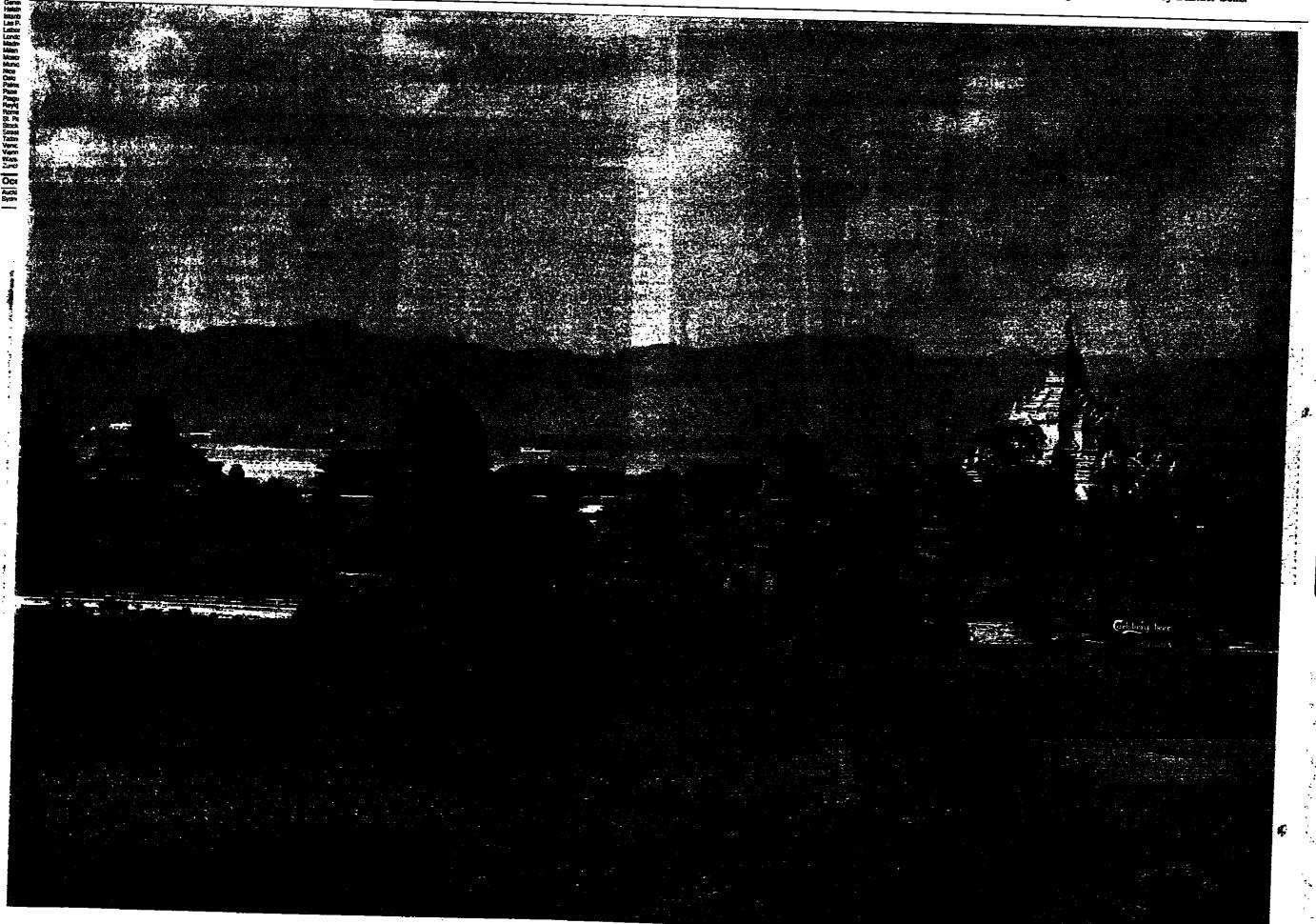
The extension proposal, put on the table last month by President Bill Clinton during talks in Washington with President Ernesto Pérez Balladares, cuts to the core of Panamanian sensitivities regarding sovereignty and economic prosperity. Pullout, set to be completed by the end of 1988, threatens the jobs of thousands of Panamanians and could mean the disappearance of millions of dollars in income.

With double-digit unemployment and at least 40 percent of the 2.5 million population living in poverty, the effects of a U.S. withdrawal could be disastrous.

At the same time, however, the prospect of ending more than 80 years of U.S. military dominance holds an allure for a people who have never really known independence from foreign occupation.

Roberto Eisenmann, a businessman and former newspaper publisher who opposes an extended military presence, said: "I would have expected that, by now, the liberation aspect of the invasion would have worn off and that we would have a lot more anti-Yankeeism than we have, having forgotten the Noriega mess. But it hasn't happened, at all.'

Among politicians riding the wave of public sentiment is Mr. Pérez Balladares. A former backer of General Noriega, Mr. Pérez Balladares once helped organize street protests to demand the immediate withdrawal of all U.S. forces. A major platform item in his 1994 presidential campaign was full withdrawal of U.S. troops. But last week he named a commission to begin talks on extending the bases agreement.



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99.96% for Saddam, but Iraqis' Woes Grow Rv Youssef M. Ibrahim the extent that Baghdad has become a center for wealthy Arabs in search of the united Nations sanctions from search of the United Nati

was celebrating his 99.96 percent ap- little impact on Mr. Saddam or the powproval rating in a referendum on his er structure over which he presides unpresidency, 25-year-old Malek was loi- perturbed and, according to many Iraqis tering outside a hospital here, looking for a customer for one of his kidneys.

and foreign diplomats, secure.

Although the Iraqi leader's downfall for a customer for one of his kidneys.

out of work for two years and would not lifting the economic siege - at least as give his full name, seemed oblivious to far as the United States and its Arab Gulf the fanfare surrounding the official cel- allies, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, are ebration, in which the government-con-trolled press was lavishing every imaginable praise on Mr. Saddam.

Malek's major preoccupation was it is that the party is firmly in control of finding an elusive Libyan who he Iraq, and Saddam runs it with an iron thought would pay \$550 for a healthy kidney, a small fortune in Iraq's depressed economy.

but I have to support them and two let, town and city, produce precise lists brothers and a sister," Malek said as he for 8 million voters and march all of them neighborhood of Baghdad. "Now they means they are not about to fall."

see the necessity."

Five years of economic sanctions, imposed by the United Nations after Iraq invaded Kuwait, have deepened the ident for an additional seven years in a poverty and despair of ordinary Iraqis to televised ceremony. His deputy prime

the extent that Baghdad has become a minister, Tariq Aziz, pledged political why their country is prohibited under

The gaunt young man, who has been has become the undeclared condition for

'If this referendum proves anything,

fist, a Western ambassauor ambassauor illi they can organize a referendum like this in less than three weeks, mo-"At first my parents were opposed, bilize party cadres in every village, hamsat at a teahouse in a Muslim Shifte to the polls to say 'yes' unanimously, it

Mr. Saddam, who made no public appearances during the referendum on Sunday, was sworn in on Tuesday as pres-

center for wealthy Arabs in search of reforms, including parliamentary elections for transplant. the United Nations sanctions from sell-

In Karbala, a stronghold of the Shiite minority about 55 miles (90 kilometers) south of Baghdad, the streets were nearly deserted Sunday, but the polling sta-tions were full of people waving their yes" ballots for all to see.

The population in Karbala rose up in revolt against Mr. Saddam's rule in March 1991 after the Gulf War. Ironically, the brutal suppression of that rebellion was overseen by Lieutenant General Hussein Kamel Mahjid, a sonin-law of Mr. Saddam who defected to Jordan in August.

But when the referendum results were announced in Karbala on Monday evening, 270,867 voters there, where many families lost relatives in the uprising, had said "yes" to the president's continued rule. Not one had voted 'no," the government said. Judging by scores of impromptu in-

terviews here in the last week, however, it is not clear that Mr. Saddam would have been rejected had the voting been

Many Iraqis simply do not understand

on foreign attitudes that extend beyond a personal vendetta against Mr. Saddam to a longstanding prejudice against Arabs in general.

Instead of rebelling, Iraqis appear preoccupied with the struggle to survive from one day to the next,

On Baghdad's largest shopping avenue, Saadoun, Dawood Hillal did not want to hear about politics or who is to blame for Iraq's tribulations.

"Please don't ask silly questions." the pharmacist said, standing amid rows of empty shelves. "We have 11,000 children dying of mainutrition here ev-ery year. Nothing can justify this geno-

"For every 50 people that come in, I can help one, maybe," he said.

A waiter at a restaurant frequented by several foreign reporters here slipped a note to one as he left. It said: "Dear sir. sorry to trouble you. I know you are very kind and therefore, when you leave the country, could you give me whatever medication you have. I'm poor, and I have a big family. The winter is coming. Any antibiotics would be a great help.



A mother in western Iraq caring for her 4-year-old child, suffering from malnutrition.

EUROPEAN TOPICS

In France, Be Wary Of the Fatal Fungi

It has been a mild October in France, with heavy morning dew. That's good for mush-

But that also means trouble. Over the weekend, a 9- yearold boy died and his brother was left critically ill after they ate mushrooms of the highly toxic amanita family, found

The amanita family is responsible for some 80 percent of the 30 or more deaths by mushroom poisoning each year in France, and for the 100 danger; in the United States, or so hospitalizations, reports | 80 percent of private homes the daily Figaro. Even with a guidebook, experts say, it is hard to distinguish from two of the edible species.

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for this type of poisoning, which attacks the liver and kidneys and can bring death by internal hemorrhaging or heart attack. But such antidotes need to be administered soon after consumption of the fatal fungi. And with amanita, symptoms can show up two days later - often too late for

Around Europe

For centuries, the Germans have had an aversion to wood- frame houses, preferring stone or brick. This was not a simple question of taste or tradition. Thousands died in near their village in the south- the great fires of the Middle Ages when the wooden dwellings of many inner cities went up in smoke. And yet the use of plaster drywalls has largely eliminated any undue have frames of wood.

An influx of East European settlers to Germany in the early '90s created a need for had a relationship with an

Antidotes are now available | quick and relatively inexpen- | African slave girl. Sir Eyre's sive housing, and suddenly wood, popular as well among the ecology-minded, began to catch on. But many people still moter plans to set fire to a fourstory wooden house to testify to the fact that modern wooden standards.

Fast Facts: There were eight strikes last year in Switzerland, tying a record set university in Britain and As Colin L. Powell flirts

with a bid to become America's first black president. sparring is already under way in Ireland to lay claim to the retired general. One ancestor, he says in his autobiography, 'My American Journey,' was Sir Eyre Coote, who from 1806 to 1808 was lieutenant governor of Jamaica, where he ing.

family had an estate at Ballyfin in Ireland, proudly notes a local newspaper, the Nation-alist and Leinster Times. But harbor the old fears. One pro-moter plans to set fire to a four-Mr. Powell for its own, saying that the Cootes' seat was at Mount Coote, outside Kilmalconstruction meets fire safety lock, which the family represented in the Irish Parliament in the 18th century.

Two Norwegians, Lisbeth Amundsen, 32. an ad writer, in 1979...The number of stu- and her twin sister, Bente, an dents leaving Ireland, with its | art director - both active opcrowded campuses, to attend ponents of French nuclear testing in the Pacific --- have had Northern Ireland is up by more remarkable success with an than 50 percent from last unappetizing ad campaign they recently mounted. A 20second televised spot shows a chic young woman sipping from a glass of red wine. She clears her throat and spits into the glass, then swirls it around. 'This is what the French are doing to our environment," a voice says. Sales of French wine have reportedly plunged since the ads began appear-

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than three years ago.

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina —

Yugoslavia and Bosnia have agreed to

open liaison offices in each other's capi-tals, a move short of diplomatic recogni-

tion, the U.S. peace negotiator Richard C.

Holbrooke announced in Sarajevo on

"This is a small step on a long and difficult road," he said of the decision by

two countries that have had no official

contact since war broke out in Bosnia more

The announcement came after Mr. Hol-

brooke, an assistant secretary of state, met

in Belgrade with President Slobodan Milo-

sevic of Serbia and in Sarajevo with Alija

Izetbegovic, the Bosnian leader, to prepare

peace talks between the warring parties at the end of October.

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city and country have changed beyond

repair.

Now, with the prospect that the city's siege could be lifted and a peace deal reached after negotiations scheduled to begin in the United States on Oct. 31, the

flow from the city is expected to increase.

While the West may hope that a settlement is in sight for Europe's worst conflict since World War II, the killing and conflict since World was the head Require's redistion.

gration have so changed Bosnia's political

and social landscape that many Bosnians

do not want to stay.

According to official statistics, Sarajevo

had 1,991 engineers and other highly

skilled technical professionals before the

war. Today, it has 733. The Academy of Arts and Sciences of Bosnia-Herzegovina

had 48 members before the war. Today,

just 16. Almost 2,000 people were on the faculty of the University of Sarajevo when fighting broke out. Now there are half that

Ballet dancers have spun away, their numbers dropping from 60 to 14. Fifteen

of 60 choir singers remain. Significantly, the flight from Sarajevo

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the move also assumed that the Bosnia cease-fire would hold, sanctions that have crippled the Yugoslav

Milosevic pressed for a complete end to sanctions as the price of recognition. The Americans insisted on some mechanism to EXODUS: Leading Writer Joins Thousands Who Give Up on Sarajevo

finds echoes on the Serbian-held portion

of this city, where neighborhoods that once were filled with skilled workers, engineers,

doctors and lawyers now either stand emp-

ty or have been filled with poor, uneducated Serbs who, like the Muslim refugees

from the countryside of eastern Bosnia

who have flooded the other side of the city, are the cannon fodder of this nationalistic

But statistics from Serb-held Sarajevo are either unavailable or secret. The self-proclaimed Bosnian Serb state maintains

the ruse that Serbs who have a choice

Population statistics have been a weap-

on of Bosnia's war. Each side feels that the

more people it controls, the stronger its claim to the mantle of power.

young educated person asked says he or she is planning to leave. Relatives in Kan-sas, a cousin in Canada, a dream life in

California beckon to anyone with a degree

or a skill. "Did you hear they're looking for

dermatological aides in South Africa?" one

woman exclaimed the other day to a friend

On both sides of the line, almost every

actually want to stay there.

Mr. Holbrooke, who was accompanied by a Russian envoy, Igor Ivanov, and the European Union's representative, Carl

Bildt, stressed that the move to set up offices did not amount to full diplomatic recognition. "That remains an important, and I might add difficult, objective of our negotiations," Mr. Holbrooke said, adding that

Yugoslavia and Bosnia Move a Bit Closer

Washington sought to persuade Belgrade earlier this year to recognize Bosnia in exchange for a lifting of international

The initiative ran out of steam after Mr.

reimpose them if the Yugoslavs failed to honor their commitments.

■ 4 Generals Supported

Bosnian Serb army commanders refused Wednesday to carry out an order to fire four generals, defying the Serb parliament, which voted for their dismissal, Agence

France-Presse reported from Belgrade.
The Bosnian Serb general staff, headed by General Ratko Mladic, called accustions against the generals "without foundation.

The four are Milan Gvero, Zdravko Tolimir and Djordje Djukic —all on General Mladic's staff — and Grujo Boris.

Delegates voted for their dismissal Sunday, blaming them for heavy Serb battlefield losses in Bosnian Croat and Moslem offensives in western and northwestern

Sipping an espresso in a hip roadside cafe, Natasha looks as if she could be

anywhere in Europe, with her dangling carrings and spiky black hair. The rude truth is that she is in Pale, the Bosnian Serb

Around her, Serb toughs swagger, and the music leans toward heavy metal. An

armored personnel carrier rumbles by,

kicking up dust. While it is cool in a movie,

the scene for this high school senior has got

A refugee from Sarajevo since 1992, Na-

tasha said she had little hope of going

home. She denied that she hates Muslims,

but she said she thought her city had

changed too much since the war began. Besides, she and her friends who lived

through the siege would probably have nothing in common any more.

died from Serbian sniper fire and shells? Natasha's solution, like those of many

others, is simple. "I can't live in a village,"

she said, waving her hands at goat farmers

and cabbage growers who surround her in

There would always be those niggling questions: Where were you when hundreds

stronghold 10 miles east of Sarajevo.

An Afghan fleeing with his belongings as fighting threatened the outskirts of Kabul and the Darulaman Palace.

Afghan Troops Claim an Advance Against Militia

KABUL — Alghan government forces said Wednesday that they were pushing the Taleban Islamic militia back in fighting south of a strategic gorge about 20 kilometers south of the capital. Forces loyal to President Burhanuddin Pakhani advanced five to six bilometers.

din Rabbani advanced five to six kilometers (about three miles) during the morning toward Charasyab, a town Taleban took last week, the government said. Speaking at a shack serving as a command post a kilometer north of the Sia

KABUL — Afghan government rees said Wednesday that they were sphing the Talahan Islamia militia had.

"We are now at the gates of Chara-syab," he said, "but the Defense Minis-try has ordered us not to go any further." From the early hours gunfire could be clearly heard in the center of Kabul, while two fighter planes were seen over-

flying the capital. Pro-government military sources said that the hills of Khairabad, which the Taleban took at the same time as Charasyab, were "cleansed" Wednesday morning of the militia. There was no independent confirmation available of the claim,

In just over a year Taleban has conquered all of southern Afghanistan. The militia has sworn to take Kabul as well. Its fighters entered the capital in March but were repulsed by forces loyal

to Mr. Rabbani. The country has been gripped by an intractable civil war since Soviet forces pulled out in 1989.

Pale. "I really want to get out of here." Syria to Aid Palestinians

at Sarajevo's market.

Continued from Page 1 government officials to believe Beijing is signaling its future

"It can't be coincidental that they are doing this now," said Johannes Chan, a senior lecturer in law at Hong Kong University, who is in Geneva for the UN human-rights hearing. "They want to send a strong political message that they are unhappy with the Bill of

COLONY:

Discord Flares

Rights. Because Britain has extended coverage of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights to Hong Kong, the United Nations has the power to examine local human rights issues and the colony's preparation for the 1997 change in sov-

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Stranded on Cypriot Ferry

NICOSIA - Most of the 660 Palestinians stranded off

Cyprus on a car ferry after leaving Libya will be allowed to enter Syria, a Syrian diplomat said Wednesday.

Roustom Zohbi, the charge d'affaires in at the Syrian Embassy in Cyprus, said, "The Syrian authorities will receive all the Palestinians with Syrian travel documents," a total of 590 people on board the ship which left the Libyan port of Tripoli on Friday.

The ship packed with workers who have lost their jobs and their families was refused entry on arrival at the Syrian port of Latakia on Monday and has been anchored off the southern Cypriot port of Larnaca since Tuesday.

Colonel Moammar Gadhafi of Libya has ordered Palestinians to leave the country and to return to Palestinian self-rule areas, to protest what he says is a phony peace between the Palestine Liberation Organization and Israel. More than 5,000 have already left, and about

trapped in a no-man's-land between Egypt and Libya.

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But China has described as people to take pot shots at govinterference in its internal af-

"If Beijing accepts these rec-"It does not appear as though ommendations, it won't have China is going to accept a piece much impact on commercial of legislation to could allow law," the lawyer said.

Opposed for Seat, Gadhafi Rejects **Security Council**

Agence France-Presse TRIPOLI, Libya — Libya no

longer recognizes the authority of the United Nations Security Council because it is a tool of the United States, the country's leader, Moammar Gadhafi, said Wednesday.

In a statement reported by the official Libyan press agen-cy, Mr. Gadhafi said: "Libya refuses to be a member of this council, today a tool in the hands of one nation, the United States, which manipulates it to carry out its wishes for its own de wishes and aspirations of the interna- yoke. tional community with disdain."

Libya announced Tuesday that it had dropped its attempt to join the Security Council after running into fierce opposition from the United States, France and Britain

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PARIS: More Patrols by Army

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lims, most of them from North Africa, live clustered around the major cities.
Prime Minister Alain Juppé told Parliament after the bombing on Tuesday that "We will not accept Algeria's problems being transferred to French soil.

The Islamic Salvation Front, which has condemned the bombings, has said that it has no intention of bringing the conflict

But French newspapers and magazines made clear after Tuesday's bombing that the Algerian civil war had indeed once more come back to haunt France. The attack came on the 34th anniversary of a confrontation between Algerians and French policemen in Paris during Algeria's uggle to throw off the French colonia

Interior Minister Jean-Louis Debre said French Army troops would replace some of the 12,000 policemen mobilized to cordon off and protect schools, government offices and transportation facilities after the wave of bombings began here last July

An explosion in another underground commuter train that day killed 7 passengers and wounded 84. That bomb, like the bomb on Tuesday, was made from a camping gas canister with steel bolts for shrapnel.

TERROR: How to Stop Bombers

Continued from Page 1 percent of whom are members of terrorist

or criminal organizations. "You don't turn them into informants by appealing to their better nature," he said. "You do it by bringing up evidence against them and then giving them a chance to save their necks."

A good informant, he added, is "more effective than 100 policemen every time."

Despite the almost 1 million Algerians in their country, the police in France do not appear to have the same level of knowledge of Islamic militants that British police had of Irish terrorists. edge of Islamic miniants that british poince had of Irish terrorists. Some experts have said that former Interior Minister Charles Pasqua erred in rounding up and deporting many Islamic fundamentalists who might now be able to provide valuable

In addition, the police have been criticized for killing Khalid Kelkal, the only person linked to the bombings by hard scientific evidence. His fingerprints were found on an unexploded bomb on a rail line near Lyon, but he died in a shoot-out earlier this month.

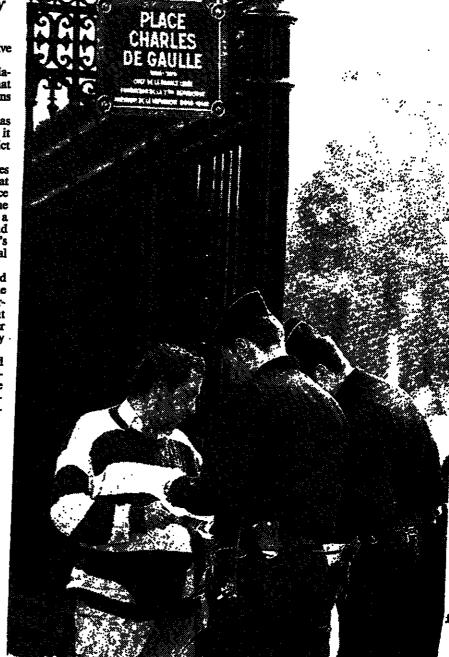
In London, the chief constable of the British Transport Police, Desmond O'Brien, had served in Northern Ireland and was equipped to assess the threat when the London Underground and rail networks received about 4,000 bomb threats in 1991 and 1992.

Because of good intelligence, Mr. Chut-terbuck said, sections of the transit system had to be closed on only 72 occasions and most of the 25 bombs that were planted were defused. Only one person was killed. British police rely more than their French counterparts on security cameras in rail stations and other public places. Although such surveillance cannot prevent attacks, it makes it easier to find witnesses and possible suspects, Mr. Clutterbuck

He also stressed the necessity of coordinating all information.

After the bombings began on July 25 in Paris, President Jacques Chirac com-plained about insufficient coordination among the military and civilian intelligence services in France.

Although the government has set up a coordinating unit for the fight against terrorism, experts said rival police and gendarmes do not always share information, while investigating magistrates do not in-form the police of what they know.



Policemen checking identity papers in Paris near the Arc de Triomphe on Wednesday before France ordered additional soldiers into the capital.

SPY: East German Spymaster Wins New Trial

Continued from Page 1

thought the arrangements we made were illegal."

"A lot of them have Meissen porcelain

at home," he added, referring to the fine gifts he lavished on his friends in the West. Ask them where they got it."

Mr. Schalck-Golodkowski was a key figare in the Communist regime, but there is little doubt that he operated with the knowledge and often cooperation of West German politicians and industrialists.

The Berliner Zeitung asserted in an editorial: "Behind this currency juggler's considerable bulk are hidden arms producers like Heckler & Koch, which supplied weapons to the Stasi and the East German Army, the managers of Siemens, which supplied equipment for building rocketlaunchers and spying on dissidents, and the politicians who received generous contributions for their cooperation with the trade in human beings that flourished between East and West Germany."

More than 300 cases have been brought against East German officials and soldiers, but the large majority have either been found not guilty or given suspended sen-

tences. Erich Honecker, the longtime East German leader, was declared too ill to stand trial, and died last year in Chile. His secret police chief, Erich Mielke, was convicted of a murder committed in 1931, before East Germany even came into existence.

and was released in August after five years in ja<u>il</u>

A former defense minister, Fritz Kessler, and two aides were convicted of allowing would-be refugees to be shot as they sought to flee westward, but they are free pending what promise to be lengthy

But despite the legal and political problems they have encountered. Berlin prose-cutors have announced plans to try seven members of the former East German Politburo on charges of falsifying elections. repressing free speech and ordering border guards to shoot at fleeing refugees.

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Smart Aid Spending

\$4 Million Paint Job

too hot, this case is part of a set that has juries. In the absence of congressional

terests more than others — because of the ing based on constitutional principles is

Other Comment

The program's multilateral nature in-

sulates recipient countries from pressures

to warp their economic programs to suit

the narrow export interests of individual

donors. IDA programs worked well in South Korea, Thailand, Turkey and In-

donesia. They are working well in Ghana

Critics of the IDA say Third World countries would become more prosper-

ous more rapidly if they relied more on private capital and far less on World Bank handouts. This criticism applied, at

least until recently, to World Bank loans

for dams and other infrastructure pro-

jects. As the new president of the World

Bank concedes, private capital markets

are willing and able to extend such loans.

But private investors will not bail out sub-Saharan Africa and other economic

disasters. More than 70 percent of private lending to developing nations goes to fewer than a dozen countries. Sub-Sa-

haran Africa claims only 2 percent.
The IDA, not private capital, fights the spread of AIDS. The IDA helps pay for schools. The IDA finances women's

health and childhood nutrition programs.

The World Bank has shifted its priorities

from investing in concrete to investing in

people. No one else can take on this role.

Do American taxpayers really prefer to

save themselves about \$2 a year rather

than leading the world to help those eking

penalty imposed "to teach the defendant

a lesson." (The Washington Post Company and 17 other media organizations filed one of the many amicus briefs sub-

mitted to the Supreme Court in this case.)

As part of the tort reform package being

considered by Congress, both houses

have approved limits on punitive dam-

ages. But that legislation is stalled, so the

tiff's state. Punitive damages are award-

ed there 10 times more often than in the

average state. In this BMW case, how-

ever, the jury went overboard. It figured

the punitive damages by multiplying the actual damages, which it set at \$4,000, by

1,000, which is the number of cars BMW

has repainted and sold as new anywhere

in the country during the last 10 years. It

is this extension of Alabama's jurisdic-

tion to include acts committed elsewhere

that raises constitutional questions in-

volving the commerce clause and state

sovereignty. And it is the company's

exposure to unpredictable, excessive and

multiple punitive damages that is the

again to revisit this subject and to draw

action, a sensible punitive damages rul-

sands of Bosnian Serbs made it plain to

him from the start that they had no desire to be "liberated" by his forces or to

become involved in the creation of a

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

The court here has an opportunity once

basis of its due process claim.

Alabama has a reputation as a plain-

lawsuits continue.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

out an existence on less than \$2 a day?

The new Republican majority in Con-

gress wants to eliminate government ser-

vices that private markets could also pro-

vide. Yet it has aimed its budget knife at a

valuable program - economic aid to the

world's poorest countries — that could not possibly survive without federal funds. Drastic cuts approved by the

House and Senate threaten to grind dread-

fully poor people into deeper poverty.
Under President George Bush's lead-

ership, the United States committed itself

to contributing about \$1.3 billion next year to the International Development Association, an affiliate of the World Bank that provides very-low-interest

loans to poor countries. As part of its

deficit reduction program, the House and

Senate want to renege on that commit-

ment and reduce the contribution to between \$577 million, the House figure, and

\$775 million, the Senate's figure. Neither

The loan program is also politically

market reforms, IDA loans are a cheap

way for Congress to spread capitalism.

required to inform consumers of repairs

costing less than \$300, and BMW fol-

lowed this guideline nationally. Never-

theless, the doctor won his case and a total of \$4,000 in damages, which the

jury determined was the diminution in

value of his car. Two months later an-

other Alabama doctor brought suit

against BMW in the same judicial circuit, filing an identical complaint. A jury

awarded him \$4,000 in compensatory

damages and \$4 million in punitive dam-

ages. Such, as one Alabama jurist pointed

out later, is the "lottery" nature of the

punitive damages system in that state.

Unfortunately, the unpredictable and ar-

bitrary results of these kinds of cases are

heard argument in what has come to be known as "the \$4 million paint job

case." Along with the infamous punitive

damages award involving a woman who

spilled coffee in her lap and won millions

ITOM MCDONAIG'S DECAUSE THE COTTEE WAS

outraged the public - and business in-

leged wrong committed and the arbitrary

We trust we're not being too cynical

when we say that we expect only good

things to come out of the Oct. 24 summit

between the Chinese and American pres-

idents in New York. Largely this is be-

cause the last two or three years would

suggest that both sides have exhausted

their entire stock of blunders. In many

ways, the only way to go is up.

China and the United States must

come up with some way of living to-

gether despite vast differences in their

political, social and economic systems. That may not be as hard as it sounds,

because, despite the many differences,

they share some very common interests.

(Hong Kong).

America and China

tremendous disparity between the al- badly needed.

Last week, the U.S. Supreme Court

not confined to Alabama.

figure makes fiscal or ethical sense.

reduction in IDA loans.

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> The IDA loan program is cost-effec-tive. Every dollar in American contributions leads to \$4 or \$5 more in contributions from other industrialized countries. To save a few hundred million out of a \$10 billion-plus foreign aid budget, Congress would trigger a \$3 billion effective. By inviting poor countries to open their economies to trade and adopt sued BMW of North America because a new car he purchased had been repainted and he was not informed at the time of sale. In 21 U.S. states — but not, at that time, Alabama — companies were not

including a strong trading relationship that is itself a key to China's future — Far Eastern Economic Review

Karadzic Isn't Acceptable

Radovan Karadzic spent the latter part of 1991 and early 1992 whipping up sectarian hatred in Bosnia. He made frequent speeches warning Bosnian Muslims that if they sought national selfdetermination they would be exterminated. He broadcast black propaganda claiming that Muslims were engaged in ritual slaughter of Serb families. And he helped orchestrate the initial hostilities that led to the erection of sectarian barricades in Sarajevo. His reputation as a racist zealot was such that tens of thou-

greater Serbia.

Civilized people should not become involved in negotiating with the likes of Mr. Karadzic, who willfully destroyed the multiethnic character of Bosnia and organized the war crimes which fostered a vile sectarianism. Mr. Karadzic devised the concepts of "ethnic cleansing" and "racial purity" which have become fa-miliar to Western observers of the tragedy in Bosnia. He believed that a short sharp period of sectarian terror and the backing of the Yugoslav national army would deliver a swift victory to his forces, and used expressions of hatred to galvanize his people. Instead of helping to shape the new Bosnia, Mr. Karadzic and his friends should be arraigned before a war crimes tribunal and asked to account for their actions.

— The Sunday Business Post (Dublin).

More Land Mines

Given the meager results of the recent UN conference on land mines held in Vienna (delegations merely agreed to disagree), one wonders whether it is really worth even holding another session next year. It would be unrealistic to expect anything but a long and arduous struggle to ban or even seriously limit the use of land mines.

Neue Zürcher Zeitung (Zurich).



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EDITORIALS/OPINION



Now we have a mother-daughter ensemble, featuring the starving Third World seamstress look, so very important in today's fashions ...

Deal Helpfully With Russia in an Awkward Season

ONDON — The cycle time in Russian politics is short nowadays, with rapid swings from one extreme to another. One day Boris Yeltsin threatens a new conflagration of war in Europe should NATO expand to Russia's borders. A few days later he vetoes Duma legislation that would lift sanctions against the Serbs, avoiding a serious collision with his partners in Europe and the

United States. The normal reaction to these rapid swings has been to cite Russian domestic politics and to stress that Mr. Yeltsin will do the right thing when it matters. But this equanimity will be difficult to sustain in the face of repeated Yeltsin explosions between now and the

Duma elections in December. Russian anxiety is growing over the future of the European security system. It will rise quickly through the autumn as NATO makes its public case for expansion. That anxiety is the root cause of a basic problem facing Russian politicians in the run-up to the elections: strident nationalists are re-seizing the election agenda and upsetting a growing centrist trend in Russian politics.

This development is ironic, since Vladimir Zhirinovsky and the other nationalists have been and increasingly out of the mainstream of politics - until the NA-

TO expansion issue heated up. The Russian man in the street doubtless cares more about his economic well-being than he does about NATO, but the strident reaction of the nationalists has struck a chord with the public.

Centrist themes had been gathering momentum in the political debate, focusing on voters' interest in the improving economy. Most parties outside the extreme wing had begun to stress the need for continued economic reform and foreign investment, no matter what their political stripe.

But now the nationalists are again dominating the scene, since events in the former Yugoslavia are giving them the stage to do so.

NEW YORK — At a time when white Americans

can't agree among ourselves on

anything, here at last is one

opinion that unites us all, liberal

and conservative, Democrat and

Republican, rich and poor: Louis Farrakhan is a hate-filled

demagogue with a divisive, sep-

aratist ideology and an appalling

record of racism, sexism, anti-

as indisputable as it is unorig-

inal, and nothing happened at Monday's march in Washington

Mr. Farrakhan's efforts to

strike a benign pose were fatally compromised by his speech's lu-

natic digressions into crypto-mysticism and self-deification.

His offer of dialogue with Jews

was cynical and meaningless,

given his refusal to admit his

history of hate speech, let alone

apologize. His retinue of brown-

shirts injected the chilling trap-

pings of fascism into an event

So white America agrees:

otherwise resplendent in peace.

Louis Farrakhan is up to no

good. But now that we've all

said that as loud as we can, where

do we go next? Should we keep

saying it over and over, louder

and louder, and hope that Mr.

Farrakhan will just go away?

Apparently so, politicians tell
us. Monday began with President
Bill Clinton firmly denouncing

Mr. Farrakhan and ended with

Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich

both following suit and attacking

Mr. Clinton for not denouncing

Mr. Farrakhan by name. Perhaps

tomorrow Phil Gramm will ac-

This judgment is to my mind

Semitism and homophobia.

to alter it.

By Rose Gottemoeller

If the Russian government and the centrist politicians in Moscow are to wrest the agenda back, they will need to make progress on issues that will symbolize to voters that Russia is being taken seriously in world politics.

They will have to defuse the notion that Russia is out of the action now that it has left Soviet superpower status behind — an idea that feeds both nationalist ire

and voter anxiety. The United States and other countries, especially those around Russia's borders, have an interest in supporting this effort. If the nationalists are able to seize control in this election, then Russia's descent into extremism and isolation may be unstoppable.

Admittedly, proactive policy work with Russia will not be easy. In the United States particularly.

Give Russia some small and large victories to point to.

election politics are also at play. Republican Party suspicion of Russia is stoked by the Russian ineffectual and disorganized, cut nationalist thetoric - an actionoff from real decision making in reaction cycle from which it is

> environment, there are ways to game and not on the sidelines. work with Russia - ways that can in fact build a politician's Washington and the European capitals, for effective dealing with a difficult partner. East and West, policymakers should focus

on the following. Make quiet, low-key progress on difficult technical issues. In the arms control arena, the quiet treatment should be used on the Conventional Forces in Europe Treaty. NATO has tabled a proposal to resolve long-standing Russian complaints about the flank limits in CFE, which prevent Russia from deploying forces against potential threats in the Caucasus.

Pay Attention to the Real Problem

By Frank Rich

rakhan with an attack on Mr.

Dole for not attacking Mr. Far-

This game can be played in-definitely with short-term po-

litical profit, since no white can-

didate is ever going to lose by decrying the Nation of Islam.

But what exactly is being ac-

complished? Yes, Mr. Far-

rakhan is a menace and must be

watched vigilantly. Still, white

America makes a fetish of him

The pre-march attacks on Mr. Farrakhan did nothing to deter

400,000 African-Americans,

only a minority of whom sup-

port the Nation of Islam, from

turning up in Washington to ex-

press their impassioned desire to

stem the economic and social

collapse of their communities.

Now that the march is history,

attacks on Mr. Farrakhan are not

going to erase the powerful and

substantive message of most of

By continuing to fixate on

Mr. Farrakhan, rather than on

the legitimate concerns of the

400,000 marchers, white politi-

the failure of the entire political

establishment to heed the spi-

raling crisis of the black un-

derclass in the first place that

gave the extremist Farrakhan his

opening to seize a resonant

That opening keeps getting larger. In the two weeks of racial

turmoil between the O. J. Simp-

company his attack on Mr. Far- son verdict and Monday's

mainstream issue as his own.

cians only give their nemesis son verdict than to the day of the more credibility and power. It is march. And since the speech of-

its participants.

at its peril.

rakhan at greater length.

In return for removing five areas from the flank zone - three in the north and two in the south of Russia - the NATO countries are

asking Moscow to reaffirm the treary, increase inspections of and information exchanges on the flank and former flank areas, and constrain treaty-limited equipment in certain former flank areas. This is a low-key, businesslike

proposal that can pay big dividends. If the two sides can reach agreement by Nov. 17, when the treaty is due to enter into force. they will diffuse what would have been a major electoral issue for the Russian army.

Engage in a measure of highstakes negotiation and summitty. The very public efforts of the United States, Germany and other European countries to re-engage Russia in resolution of the Yugoslav crisis have been important. Helmut Kohl and Bill Clinton have conferred with President Yeltsin, U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott has been to Moscow, Secretary of Defense William Perry has met with Russian Defense Minister Pavel Grachev. As long as Mr. Yeltsin can claim through this activity to be part of the solution — in this case, helping to form the implementation forces for the peace in But even in the tough election Russia is publicly back in the

By the same token, Mr. Clinton, Mr. Yehsin and other world leadreputation, in Moscow as well as ers should take full advantage of next week's celebration of 50 years of the United Nations to talk about the future of Europe. For a Russian audience, discussion of European security and NATO's future will reside well in the larger context of this international celebration. Mr. Yeltsin, in his UN appearance as well as his summit with Mr. Clinton on Monday, should be able to play the tough

but genial diplomat. For European leaders and for Mr. Clinton, the UN celebration will be an opportunity to restore some perspective to discussions of Europe's future. From the outset.

march, the paralysis of white po-

litical leadership was embarrass-

ingly pronounced. The verdict

that preoccupied most Ameri-

cans yielded only some cautious

homilies from President Clinton

in a newspaper interview, and shilly-shallying from most of the Republican field.

At last week's forum of Re-

publican presidential candidates,

a visitor from Mars might never

have guessed that the Simpson

verdict had rocked the country or

that the march was in the offing;

there was so little talk about Top-

ics A and B that Jack Kemp

chided fellow Republicans for

muffing "an incredible oppor-

Mr. Clinton, at least, did give a

thoughtful address on both white

and black racism, but from the

remote perch of Austin on Mon-

day, just as the march bit its stride

at the Mall. Is it leadership to give

such a speech in lockstep with

Mr. Farrakhan's event rather

The healing, philosophic long view of Mr. Clinton's remarks

seemed out of sync with the

moment anyway, more appro-

priate to the inflammatory im-

mediate aftermath of the Simp-

fered no specific policies, the

only sound bite in it not drowned

out by Mr. Farrakhan in the

evening news was, inevitably,

Well, he is a bad guy, all right.

But if this is the sole message

white America can send to black

America in the wake of the big

march, his reign has only begun.

The New York Times.

the attack on Mr. Farrakhan.

than a step or two ahead of it?

tunity to step into the vacuum.

they have tried to include Russia in its definition, but increasingly prickly Russian politicians - including Mr. Yeltsin --- have made that process difficult. The 50th anniversary will be an ideal setting to restore not only Russian public faith in the dialogue but also the momentum of the process.

Demand credibility from Russia. For Russia to be fully in the game, it will have to be a credible player. It is important that private discussions between Russia and NATO of command and control arrangements in the former Yugoslavia make clear that, if Russia is to have a special role with NA-TO, its commanders must work to the same standards as their counterparts do, striving against the corrupt practices that have been a problem for Russian forces in Yugoslavia in the past.

For the implementation force to succeed, its commanders will have to be the best and the brightest, respected leaders committed to the operation's success. Russia's commanders should be fully the equals of their NATO counterparts, in this respect as in others. Involve Russia's neighbors. Central and East Europeans might be effective in working with Moscow on the future of Europe. Their interest in integrating westward for economic, political and security reasons has anchored put them far ahead of Russia in understanding the dynamics of Europe's restructuring.

They have quickly developed close relations with NATO through the Partnership for Peace, bringing armies into exercise training and trying to solve the practical problems of interoperability be-tween East and West. And they have worked with European institutions in multiple ways. Better than most in the Western

alliance, they understand what Russia is: her imperial history and her aspirations, her upset at the loss of status and power since the Soviet breakup. From this vantage point, they are well-suited. say, to cooperate with Russian defense industries to build equipment that is interoperable with that of NATO armies. They would thus be developing an incentive for Russia to participate in a European security architecture that marries East and West.

None of these steps is easy, but they have the virtue of demanding hard work from both sides, ultimately giving Russia and its Western counterparts some small and large victories to point to. They represent the only way to move through the election season and still accomplish progress with Russia, progress that will have a chance of halting its descent into nationalism and isolation.

The writer, deputy director of the International Institute for Strategic Studies, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

Islamists Imagine Collusion

By Khalid Duran

WASHINGTON — In June 1994, President Bill Clinton sparked furious controversy when he appeared to suggest that Islamists be brought into the Algerian power structure.

That stoked the rumor mill and produced "explanations" that might bring a smile to the lips of many but are taken seriously by some in the Muslim world. Iran and various Islamist par-

ties had earlier accused Washington of supporting the Algerian generals. Now they revised their explanation: America favored the Islamists against the generals in order to gain a larger share of

Algeria's resources.
In February 1995, widows of assassinated Algerian writers, journalists and judges held protest meeting in Brussels. The central figure lashed out at the United States for attempting to dominate the Maghreb region.

The insurgents may have been so encouraged by the Clinton ad-ministration that they have avoided harming Americans, who are absent from the long casualty list of foreigners assassinated in Al-

geria since 1992. According to some reports from Afghanistan, Arab guernillas have formed a special unit to strike at American interests, but Algerians in Afghanistan refused to join in for fear of jeopardizing relations with Washington.

Anti-Islamist Muslims and others around the world were exasperated by the American po-sition. Of the many conspiracy theories now in circulation, one of the most popular in the Middle East and North Africa is that Islamism is an American creation to keep the region backward and economically dependent upon the West. Whenever a country in the region is making headway, so this version goes, extremism surges.

The rationale for this? The Islamists' nuisance value to the United States is insignificant compared to the benefits accruing from keeping the region in the bonds of backwardness.

This is one of the most potents conspiracy myths in the Muslim world today, incredible as it may seem, and a deeply held conviction shared by peasants in Pakistan, intellectuals in Iran, bureaucrats in Syria, policemen in Egypt, laborers in Sudan, and women in Algeria.

Any official American statelamism as an alternative or a democratic necessity provokes alarm. Extremists see it as a green light; others hear a funeral bell.

Hardly a week passes without this topic coming up in the Arab press in one form or another. American policymakers seem unaware that the real or imagined history of American covert operations in the 20th century is more than enough to convince most of the world that the United States is actively involved in the

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creation of political conflicts. Statements about self-determination can be read variously as licenses for armed struggle, betrayal and abandonment, promises of active support, or collab-

oration with the enemy.

Although there is debate in the United States about supporting political movements abroad that would be considered objectionable at home (and not only in relation to Islam), for many looking in from the outside, U.S. policies are often confusing.

This is especially true with regard to Egypt and Saudi Arabia, 3. both of which are central to the progress of Islamism. Largely uncritical support of these regimes is tantamount, in the view of some Muslims, to direct negotiations with Islamist insurgents.

The writer is editor of TransState Islam, published quarterly by the Institute for International Studies. This comment has been adapted by the International Herald Tribune from the summer 1995 issue.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1895: Russia in East

VIENNA — In the Russian Ministries of War and Marine, feverish activity is displayed owing to a firm conviction that Russia will shortly have recourse to active interference in the affairs of the Far East. Russia considers that she has excellent claims to assume a protectorate of Corea, and that no other arrangement is compatible with her interests. There cannot be the slightest doubt that Russia contemplates an energetic policy in the Far East and is making superhuman efforts to carry it to a successful issue.

1920: Emigrés' Camp

PARIS - Work will be undertaken immediately and carried on throughout the winter on the creation of a camp hotel at Cherbourg by a consortium of Transatlantic navigation companies. It is destined to serve as a clearing-house

countries who sail for America. Preliminary plans have been prepared for one camp to house two thousand. The plans of this group of structures call for an expenditure of 5,000,000fr. A sine has been bought near the spot.

1945: Nazis Indicted BERLIN—The indictment of the

twenty-four leaders of Nazi Germany who will be defendants at the first international war crimes trial at Nuremberg was formally presented to the International Military Tribunal here to-dan [Oct 18.] by the chief prosecutors of the Soviet Union, Britain, France, and the United States. In the 25,000 word indictment, Hermann Goering, Rudolf Hess. Joachim von Ribbentrop, Wil-helm Keitel, and twenty others are charged individually and as members of Nazi organizations with conspiracy to commit "crimes for emigrants from European crimes against humanity." against peace, war crimes, and

OPINION/LETTERS

Cutting International Aid Would Impoverish America

W ASHINGTON — A dispassionate for-eign observer of Congress's budget choices would have to conclude that Americans' only international aspiration is to be global policeman. Or, to be scrupulously fair, a policeman with a handout for refugees and the most wretched victims of disaster.

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That isn't what Americans want, but it's what — unless drastic adjustments are made in the next few weeks of bargaining they're going to get. In both the House and Senate versions of next year's budget, every means of keeping the peace short of military action and every other cost of international leadership or national self-interest - political, economic, environmental, humanitarian — is stripped to near or below the minimum while more money than the Pentagon thinks it can usefully spend is crammed down its throat.

In round numbers, Congress has added \$7 billion to a \$220 billion military total that already dwarfs what all of the rest of the world outside NATO spends on defense. Meanwhile, in the name of deficit reduction, it is planning to cut \$3 billion to \$4 billion from all other international spending. That may not sound like much, but it amounts to 15 percent to 20 percent of the \$20 billion total in international affairs spending and includes reductions for most international

agencies of 25 percent to 60 percent.
The cuts mean that U.S. embassies and

By Jessica Mathews

consulates will close when a globalizing economy and more independent countries mean that more should be opening. They translate into fewer foreign service officers, hamstrung diplomacy and less of the most cost-efficient means of intelligence gathering. They mean long lines and poor services for Americans at home and abroad. All of that is tolerable, if neither sensible nor

necessary, given defense increases.
What will really burt American interests indeed already has - are the cuts to the United Nations, the World Bank's fund for the poorest countries and the host of small international agencies that provide hundreds of services Americans need and value and un-derpin agreements that both parties have spent years of tough negotiating to achieve.

Where the cuts are in dues for which the United States is legally committed, as are its UN dues, the cost will be measured in an unraveling of international law not limited to finances. If the United States can renege on its funding obligations, why can't X or Y (fill

in the country and topic of your choice)? Even where the cuts are in voluntary con-tributions, the result of a U.S. pullback from the international community — along a front that reaches from peacekeeping to environmental protection - will be a declining interest on the part of other countries in supporting U.S. initiatives. That will fuel cost \$600 million less than the New York further disenchantment in the United States, with results that no one wants.

The cycle has already begun. The United States owes the United Nations \$1.5 billion, a debt that threatens to tip that institution into insolvency. The United Nations is limping along by not paying what it owes to contractors and to countries that supply its peacekeeping troops. In effect, the likes of Pakistan and Bangladesh are covering the United States' bad check.

Congress wants to see organizational reforms at the UN before it will consider even a partial payment. But for the rest of the world, the No. 1 item on the agenda is that a country that can afford to do so does not pay its dues year after year. As Britain's foreign secretary remarked to an appreciative audience, the United States seems to want "representation without taxation."

Part of what has brought the United States to this sorry pass is too many years of cheap-shot — and now almost obligatory — political rhetoric that has inflated the selfevident need for UN reform into a problem of unrecognizable dimensions in the minds of most Americans. Even while defending the United Nations, U.S. Ambassador Madeline Albright called it "elephantine," It took the Australian foreign minister, Gareth Evans, to provide some perspective by pointing out City Police Department. Adding the development, environment and population agencies, the huge refugee operation. Unicef and others, the total is still less than Congress's defense add-on.

Having launched a last-minute effort to rescue UN funds and the rest of the international affairs budget, the Clinton administration is battling a sentiment it helped creare by blaming the United Nations for its own mistakes in Somalia and Bosnia, and an attitude on the part of congressional freshmen for which the politest description is a profound and willful ignorance of America's role in the world, its obligations, its interests and what it takes to meet them.

However long it takes, this struggle deserves attention and public support. No American doubts the need for a superlative military. But it should be obvious by now that the bestarmed force cannot meet more than a fraction of the threats of the post-Cold War world nor help seize most of its opportunities. An America served by a rich military budget and impoverished funding for every other interna-tional function will be a country both poorer and less secure than it should be.

The writer is a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. She contributed this comment to The Washington Post.

Why One Jewish Family Still Calls Hebron Home

By June Leavitt

HEBRON, Israeli-Occupied West Bank — I have the He-Israeli-Occupied bron disease. There is no other way to explain

why my family continues living here despite 100 good reasons we should not.

We should not live in a settlement of high-rise concrete buildings behind a barbed-wire fence because

MEANWHILE

we love nature and unbounded expanses. We are former homesteaders from Massachusetts, How will we exist if our settlement, Kiryat Arba, is made a ghetto inside a Palestinian state?

We should not be here because we are different from so many other settlers. We were once outwardly religious, but eight years ago my husband, Frank, took off his yarmulke and I my head scarf. Now we are only inwardly religious, which most people here cannot understand,

We should not live here because we are not really happy in the usual sense of happiness. We do not have that tranquility of soul, that sweet-

ness associated with home. The poor insulation in the apartment buildings does nothing to shut out the constant noise of radios, televisions and loud metallic music from

our neighbors. There is no peace at home or on the roads. My husband teaches at Beersheba University, a 90-minute drive. Six years ago, an Arab threw a sharpened stone through the win-

dow of his car. Frank's jaw and an eye socket were smashed. He fell unconscious over the steering wheel, his foot heavy on the gas pedal. Had not his passenger — a hitchhiking soldier grabbed control of the car, they

might have both been killed. My husband came out of this "accident" with a stab at an answer to the Zen koan that sticks in our throats like a molten ball of iron. Why do we keep living in Hebron? Because in Hebron, God runs the show.

It takes an amazing amount of energy to keep one's mental health. Every day, psychic battles must be fought against the government we feel is betraying us, against the half of our nation that hates us, against the Arabs who want to drive us once and for all into the sea.

Last year, my 12-year-old son, Joshua, was riding on a bus that came New York Times.

under terrorist fire. A friend next to him got a bullet in the back. Joshua held him until rescue workers arrived and even then refused to let go.

Two of our neighbors lay murdered in their seats. Why are we submitting our offspring to such a childhood?

There are those who have been able to uproot themselves from this cocoonlike community. Some are thriving elsewhere. Others come running back.

One mother of four moved with her family to Tel Aviv, where she wandered the streets bewildered. Finally, she moved back here.

Atheists do not feel the power that pours out of the dank stone buildings, out of the narrow, dung-strewn streets. But the muezzins calling from the mosques feel the power. Often they call upon the Arabs to rise up and claim Abraham's resting place as their own.

The leaders of our government do not feel the spiritual power, though they fear that the mysticism that breathes life into Arab militants and

The spiritual power of the place leads many settlers to stay on, despite the hardships.

Jewish settlers might cause an end to the peace process. They would like to uproot the biblical primitivism from the postmodern Israel they are trying to forge.

My husband and I would like to uproot the mysticism from ourselves, too, or at least uproot ourselves from the source of it. But the attack on the bus made us realize how absolutely dependent we are on what Carl Jung called the "irrational facts of experience."

Another friend who was on that bus opened her daily agenda book several days later. To her shock, she found a bullet embedded in the pages. A miracle, people here say.

They are afflicted with the Hebron disease, the uncomfortable gift of sensing that reality is infinitely more profound than what meets the eve.

The writer is author of the forthcoming "Diary of a Settler." She contributed this comment to The

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Strange Silence

I noticed that there hasn't been a lot of comment or criticism of the Pope's visit to the United States from those in Congress and elsewhere in the United States who want to eliminate the "safety net" for the needy.

I guess they would rather not respond negatively to the Pope's message in public. A point that has become rather clear recently, even . though the Pope's message was not partisan, is that it took the world leader of the Catholic Church to remind Americans who they are and that they "must continue to be a caring people and nation," a country and people committed to hope, opportunity, and social and economic justice. I hope the United States will always be the voice of the poor and

RAYMOND L. FLYNN.

Mr. Flynn is the U.S. ambassador to the Holy See and was formerly mayor of Boston.

Visit in France

Regarding "An Annoyed Paris Rejects Call to End Its Nuclear Testing" (Oct. 14):

Following the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to Joseph Rotblat and the Pugwash conference for their efforts to end nuclear testing, I suggest President Jacques Chirac and Prime Minister Alain Juppé take a small trip my wife and I made a few weeks ago to the Normandy coast.

Though I was in the Pacific theater during the war, I was drawn to Normandy's beaches, cemeteries and museums. As all who have been there know, it is a painful experience.

It is a grotesque irony that France alone, except for China, should now defy the nations of the world that are finally and sanely united in their call for the end of nuclear testing.

IRVING ZEIGER. Ubud, Indonesia.

Japanese Assertion

Japan's assertion that its annexation of Korea was valid ("Japan

adviser in his bid for the pres-

idency and, after Bobby's as-

sassination, worked for George

Then came Paris and 15 years at ABC. He's currently a

ments of Mexico and Indonesia

and the German Ministry of

McGovern.

as Legal," Oct. 12) is another in- countries have accepted joint impledication of the unwillingness of mentation as allowing a government the Japanese government to assume to receive a credit toward domestic esponsibility for its aggression in Asia during the first half of the 20th century.

Both customary international law and the Vienna Convention on Treaties hold that treaties negotiated and ratified under duress, compulsion or fraudulent means are null and void. In view of the fact that Japan's crimes against the Korean people were among its most hemous, it behooves the Japanese government to retract and apologize for this historical untruth.

ROBERT WELLS. Kuala Lumpur.

Misleading Picture

Regarding "Utilities Target Pollution; Pilot Plant to Cut Harmful Emissions" (Sept. 19):

Stephen Kinzer's article on joint implementation under the Framework Convention on Climate Change presents a misleading pic- the developed countries is not in-

Again Defends Annexation of Korea ture. It is not the case that most emission reductions by sponsoring projects abroad. Joint implementation was discussed at the April 1995 conference of the parties to the convention in Berlin, but there was significant concern about the approach, particularly among some of the developing countries. As a result, the parties agreed to apply joint implementation on a trial basis only, during which time no credits will be granted. The results of the trial are to

be reviewed before 2000. It is not difficult to understand why developing countries should be suspicious about joint implementation and emission credits. Under the terms of the convention, the developed countries are required to take measures to limit their own emissions of greenhouse gases, and to provide financial and technical support to assist the developing countries in reducing their emissions. The fulfillment of the latter obligation by

rended to provide an escape route for the avoidance of the former. The convention itself notes that the largest share of historical and

current emissions of greenhouse gases has originated in developed countries, and that emissions in developing countries will grow along with their social and development needs. Given, then, that climate change is attributed primarily to developed countries' emissions, it is fatuous to believe the problem will be solved by joint implementation and the credit approach. The stabilization of greenhouse gas levels will be achieved only if the developed countries, particularly those with profligate levels of energy use and green-house emissions, take positive steps such as promotion of alternative energy sources, end-use energy efficiency and transport demand management. Support for projects in lessdeveloped countries is laudable but should not be an excuse for the failure of developed countries to bring down their own emission levels. NEIL EMMOTT.

London.

BOOKS

P.S., A MEMOIR

By Pierre Salinger. 304 pages. \$24.95. St. Martin's.

Reviewed by Diana McLellan

man — a cigar-chomping, poker-playing, partisan, fourtimes-wed, multiple-mistressagency in Washington, openagency in Washington, openboasting sort of guy, with an his clients include the govern-

on the piano at 6, a naval com- Economics. mander and hero at 19. He be- A fascinating life, you'd came a reporter at the San Fran- think. And sizable chunks of along, says Salinger — bearing lost in the mail. He tried again cisco Chronicle (where he once this memoir reflect that. There helped out on the gossip col-umn) and for Colliers maga-days in May of 1961 that he

zine. spent eating and talking and When that organ died, he investigated the Teamsters for Nikita Khrushchev — reported

candidate John F. Kennedy — and-a-half hour meeting in and President Kennedy's and 1975 with Fidel Castro, in Sthen Lyndon Johnson's White House press secretary.

late Clair Engle's Senate scat. He became Bobby Kennedy's Lana Pollack, publisher of

Michigan Monthly, is reading "Gentleman Spy: The Life of Allen Dulles" by Peter Grose.
"I'm increasingly amazed at the role that covert intelligence has played in American policy. The book is an insider's look at the 20th century through the life of one man who managed to put himself in the middle of America's greatest historical events." (Al Goodman, IHT)



negotiations to reestablish re- riman won the plum.) lations between the United States and Cuba.)

any scribe could interview any There's another of a threestaffer with no spin control from the press office.

He had great delicacy, too. When JFK began tossing small clares his admiration for the late eting White House spoons as souvenirs, Salinger had the Secret Service arrange for a retired pickpocket to circulate among guests as they left, to retrieve the errant silverware.

He tells of delivering a 26page letter from Khrushchev to nil JFK's death.

The samples he offers are riveting. (I hear on the grapevine that the State Department plans to publish all 44 within a year or so.) There are also some tasty

transcripts plucked from Salinger's old files. These in- about his own agenda. clude Leonard Bernstein's rav-LBJ Library, in which she is touchingly grateful for the Johnsons' kindness in the wake of her husband's assassination.

daughter of a French lawyer who had defended Captain Alfred Dreyfus in the Dreyfus case of 1894. Partly because of this,

promised him the job of ambassador to France in his second term.

a message from Henry with Clinton — this man never Kissinger, who wished to begin gives up — but Pamela Har-

Salinger is generous to LBJ but does mention a couple of Salinger was a highly pop-ular White House press secre-summoning a cabinet member tary in his day, at least among to the bathroom to chat, for exmale reporters. Under his rule, ample, and consummating an any scribe could interview any "affair" with a female member of Salinger's staff when she delivered some papers to his of-

Now for the downside: It's luncheons for groups of jour- hard to take a shine to a guy like nalists from various states and Salinger. He whines about his the out-of-towners began pock- first wife's "drinking problem" even as he chortles over his own bar crawls. In fact, at center stage in this

book at all times is Salinger's enormous, overweening vanity. He is shocked about awards he did not win; he believes himself the most famous American in Kennedy - one that kicked off France; he thinks he's a marjob; his divorces are always his

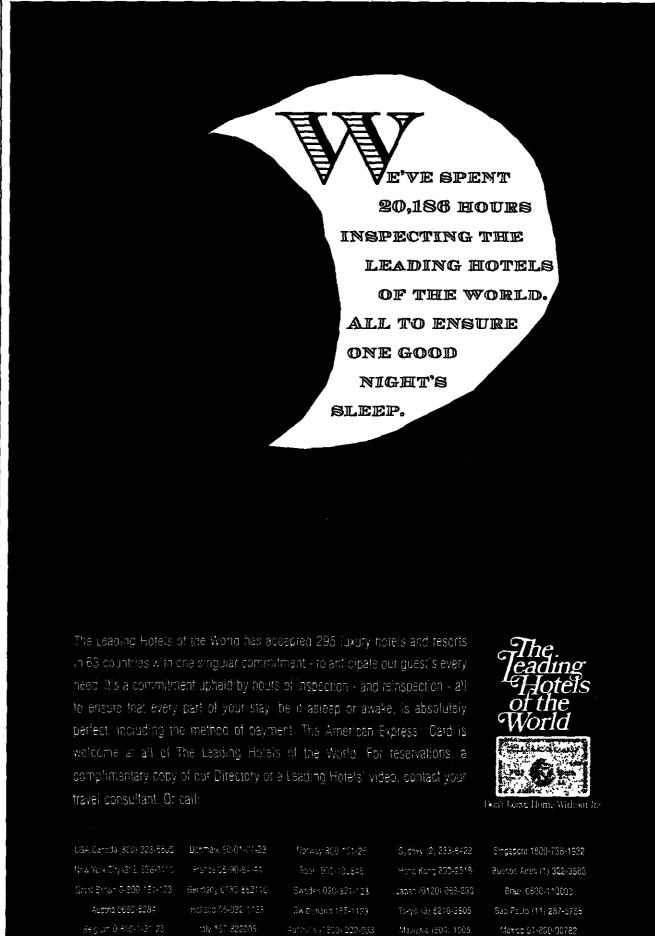
On top of that, you get the feeling that on certain issues — like his forays to chat up the likes of Moanmar Gadhafi, Saddam Hussein and others he has not been entirely candid

He concludes that the United ishing description of the States, Britain and France es-Kennedys' White House dinner for Pablo Casals and an interview with Jackie taped for the bombing and to pick on Libya instead, but he expects us to believe his source simply because be did.

Much of this book gives you Salinger speaks fluent the stifling sensation that French thanks to his mother, the daughter of a French lawyer at the Press Club bar by a selfimportant old coot. But, as often with venerable barflies. some of the juicy bits, when they finally manage to coze out, are worth the aggravation.

tributing editor of the Ladies' When Jimmy Carter was Home Journal and Washington elected, Salinger wrote him editor of Washingtonian magto beat the slam, although that is asking for the appointment. azine, wrote this for the Wash-(Unfortunately the letter got ington Post.

Diana McLellan, a con-



DIERRE Salinger is what I used to be called a man's

ego as big as the Ritz. He was, he tells us, a prodigy

Bobby Kennedy's Senate La-bor Rackets Committee. in astonishing detail, consider-ing the amount of vodka that Then came the big-time: went down both their gullets. press adviser to Democratic

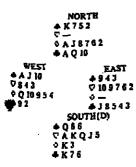
After that, he had a five- JFK. (James Reston came

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

IN the diagramed deal, the two the opening lead of the diamond nine with the king, clubs showed three key cards,

the equivalent of an ace. trump was just slightly optimistic. It was due to succeed easily if the diamond suit lay favorably, with a 3-2 split and the queen in the West hand. And if West held diamond length or a singleton queen

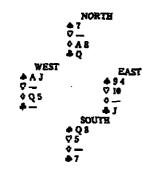


West North
Pass 2 0
Pass 3 4
Pass 5 4
Pass Pass

there were some chances, one of which came home for the declarer.

which the latter vehemently de-

game-forcing, and the eventual noting East's discard, and led a a copious correspondence be-velous writer, he is ready to ask four no-truntp bid was roman spade to dummy's king. He then tween the two which lasted unalmost anyone for a top-paying four no-trump bid was roman key-card Blackwood. Five crossed to the club king, and hopefully cashed his top hearts. with the spade king counting as This suit failed to break evenly, but he was still safe. The di-The final contract of six no- amond three was led, and West played the ten to prevent the finesse of the eight. The marked finesse of the diamond jack was taken, and one club winner was cashed to reach this ending:



The play of the club queen Kennedy, he claims, had squeezed West out of the spade jack, and a spade lead then forced him to lead a diamond at

Curiously, there was no way

HEALTH/SCIENCE

Russian Spy Plane Enlisted in Ozone Probes

By Malcolm W. Browne New York Times Service

since the end of the cold war, a Russian high-altitude spy plane has been put at the disposal of Western European scientists, who will use shield even over temperate regions in recent it to study depletion of the protective ozone years. layer over Arctic regions.

nounced last week that Russia will provide chlorofluorocarbons and similar Freon coma specially modified Myasishchev M-55 airplane for high-altitude arctic studies during the winter and spring months of many years as refrigerant gases in refrig-1996 to 1998. The M-55 Geophysika (code erators and air conditioners, as foaming named by NATO as Mystic) is roughly equivalent in purpose and performance to America's U-2 reconnaissance plane. However, it can carry much heavier loads than the U-2, enabling it to fly large an-alytical instruments to altitudes up to manufacture Freon-propelled sprays. 67,000 feet (about 20,000 meters).

Depletion of the earth's stratospheric radiation, was detected in 1975 by a high-

Antarctica every southern spring. Less se-EW YORK - For the first time vere but marked depletion of the ozone layer has also begun to occur over the Arctic during the northern spring, and there has been pronounced thinning of the ozone

Most atmospheric scientists attribute the The European Science Foundation an- ozone depletion to increasing quantities of pounds released into the atmosphere by human activity. Freons have been used for agents in plastic, as insulators, as solvents for cleaning computer components and in many other applications. Although the United States banned Freon propellants in aerosol

ozone, which protects human beings and tions, their effects on the ozone layer are animals from dangerous solar ultraviolet expected to increase and linger for many years. At high altitudes, Freons are broken regarding changes in the ozone layer. down by ultraviolet radiation from the sun, Since then, depletion of the ozone layer producing chlorine compounds that react

pounds are regenerated, becoming available to destroy still more ozone.

According to the European Science Foundation, which is based in Strasbourg, the M-55 provided by the Myasishchev Design Bureau, the Russian Central Aereological Center and Aviecocenter will be able to study the chemical reactions believed to occur on the surfaces of fine ice particles that make up polar stratospheric clouds. These clouds, which appear in early spring, seem to play a pivotal role in catalyzing the chemical reactions that lead to the destruction of ozone.

HE leader of the scientific team, Dr. Leopoldo Stafanutti of the Italian National Research Counspheric clouds. This, he hopes, will lead to methods by which forecasts can be made

periment include some 20 research insti- (1,360 kilograms).

has progressed to the point at which a gi- with ozone. This initiates a chain reaction, tutions in Russia, Italy, Germany, Great gantic hole in the ozone layer opens over in which the destructive chlorine com-Switzerland. The group plans particularly to study lee wave clouds, clouds of ice particles that form downwind of mountain peaks, in Scandinavia and the Urals. The plane will also analyze the chemistry and physics of polar stratospheric clouds in the Siberian Arctic, where no comparable measurements have ever been made, the foundation said.

A secondary object of the flights, each of which may last up to six hours, will be to catalogue all types of aerosol particles present in the European and Arctic atmosphere up to the plane's operational ceiling. Aerosols come from both natural sources (like volcanoes) and human activity (such as the burning of soft coal).

The M-55 has been scrutinized by Western observers only a few times since NATO cil, hopes to combine measure-ments made by the M-55 with mathemat-airfield in 1982. Six of these planes were Although production of these chemicals ical models of possible physical and built, five of which remain in military is now probibled in most industrial nachemical changes occurring in the stratophysika, is a single-seat airplane with two jet engines, twin tail booms and wings 133 feet long, and it has a huge instrument bay Participants in the Airborne Polar Ex- that can carry more than 3,000 pounds



Low-Fat Diet May Reverse Growth of Prostate Cancer

By Jane E. Brody New York Times Service

EW YORK - Switching to a low-fat diet can slow or reverse the growth of prostate cancer in animals, according to a new study of laboratory mice that harbored hu-

The study, by Dr. Yu Wang and col-leagues at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, showed that tumor growth could be styrnied by halving the animals' fat intake --- to 21 percent or less of calories from fat, from about 40 percent.

The average American now consumes about 36 percent of daily calories from fat, Society estimates. Death rates from but because calorie intake has increased, Americans now eat more fat than when 40 percent of their calories came from fat.

The animal findings, along with previous studies of prostate cancer and diet in trigued by the fact that throughout the various countries, suggest that men, including those who have already had prostate cancer, may be able to signif- cancers is about the same. These are hidden cantly reduce their chances of dying of this cancers, most of which do not become lifedisease simply by modifying their diets.

As a further inducement, the dietary men's lifetimes. Among men who died of changes suggested by this and previous other causes worldwide, about 30 percent research are also likely to reduce the risk of of those over 50 have been found to harbor cardiovascular disease, the leading cause of death in American men.

in the consumption of red meat and other sources of saturated animal fats.

Another step believed to be beneficial would be regular consumption of soy protein, a staple in diets of the Far East, where the incidence of prostate cancer and heart disease is only a tiny fraction of what it is in the United States.

Prostate cancer, the most common cancer in the United States and the second leading cause of cancer deaths in American men, will be diagnosed in 244,000 men and will claim the lives of 40,400 men in this country this year, the American Cancer prostate cancer, adjusted for age, have been rising steadily since 1930, and are especially high among American blacks.

Cancer specialists have long been in-

world, wherever the subject has been studied, the incidence of microscopic prostate threatening, or even detectable during hidden tumors of the prostate.

Yet, when the incidence of diagnosed

Of greatest potential benefit, the various prostate cancers and the rates of prostate

high among American blacks and 37 times as high among American whites as it is in vails. China, and in Japan, the death rate from prostate cancer is less than a quarter of the

HILE it is tempting to con-clude that genetic factors may account for such differences, the fate of Japanese immigrants to the United States suggests that environment is more important. Among Japanese men in Japan, prostate cancer is diagnosed in about 8 men per 100,000. But in a study of Japanese men who migrated to Los Angeles, the rate rose to 30 per 100,000 in first-generation immigrants and to 34 per 100,000 in second-generation immigrants. Among white men in Los Angeles, the rate is 66 per 100,000.

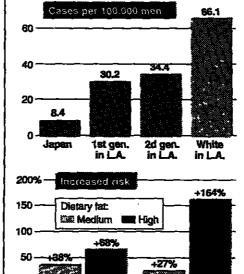
Such findings suggest that an environmental factor like a change in diet is responsible for the rising rates among immigrants, especially since similar changes in breast cancer rates occur among Japanese women who settle in this country and their descendants.

In addition, in postwar Japan, prostate developing potentially fatal prostate canstudies suggest, would be a major cutback cancer deaths are examined, there are vast cancer rates have begun to rise in urban cer. differences between countries. areas, where there has been a steady in-For example, in the United States the crease in the consumption of high-far meat, incidence of prostate cancer is 70 times as but not in rural areas, where a more traditional low-meat, low-fat diet still pre-

particularly fat from red meat, to a nearly as were men who ate 80 percent increase in the men's risk of from red meat daily.

That study, conducted over a four-year period among health professionals by Dr. Edward Giovannucci and colleagues at Harvard Medical School, showed that the men who consumed on average 30.5 grams Furthermore, an earlier study that of fat each day from red meat were two and tracked the fates of nearly 48,000 Amer- a half times as likely to develop advanced ican men linked a diet rich in animal fats, prostate cancer or to die of prostate cancer as were men who ate only 3.2 grams of fat

Sorting Out Prostate Cancer Risks



Sources: British Journal of Cancer, Journal of the National Cancer Institute

Japanese men who moved to Los Angeles had a higher rate of prostate cancer than those living in Japan, and

the rate increased even more for men in the second generation in Los Angeles.

Higher-fat diets were associated with increased risks of prostate cancer, and fat from red meat with even bigger increases, up to a 164 percent rise for those with the highest intake.

remains of the first bird with a beak, and the discovery could point the way to the earliest bird of all.

IN BRIEF

quarters in Geneva.

WHO Creating Strike Force To Fight Epidemics on Spot

WASHINGTON (WP) — The World Health Organization is forming a strike force

of epidemiologists capable of doing public

health tasks and medical detective work

essential in the first days of an epidemic. Traditionally. WHO has relied on na-

tional organizations or academic medical

institutions to perform most of the field

work during outbreaks of such diseases as

"WHO is changing its role from one of

guidance to actual response." said David

Heymann, a physician at WHO's head-

About a dozen physicians, public health

teachers and laboratory technicians are on

the team, formed last month. It is writing

plans to fight specific diseases immediately

after an outbreak is recognized. The team

also is stockpiling supplies, such as gloves

and laboratory chemicals that are often in

short supply in underdeveloped countries where epidemics tend to occur.

LONDON (Reuters) - Researchers working in China say they have found the

Remains Found in China

Of World's First Bird

yellow fever, diphtheria and plague.

They named the bird Confuciusomis sanctus, after the Chinese philosopher, and said its remains provided the first evidence of a bird covered with true feathers.

In a report in the journal Nature, the researchers - Larry Martin of the University of Kansas and colleagues at the Chinese Academy of Sciences - said the bird's remains, dated to 142 to 137 million years ago, were the first Jurassic bird fos-The New York Times sils to be found outside Germany.

Something for Thirtysomethings

By Suzy Menkes

ARIS — Wednesday was a fine fashion moment for thirtysomethings — and not just women looking for pretty, nor-mal clothes. Yves Saint Laurent and Valentino both proved that, after more than 30 years in business, they can still come up with

While the avant garde designers aim to be edgy and dis-

PARIS FASHION

just enough change to make loyal clients feel that they will be dans le vent.

sweaters and pants — or a ruf-fled chiffon skirt if you prefer ture safari jacket. not to be mistaken for the crew.

were cute lace sweaters that always copying, but which could do double-duty as fishing Saint Laurent himself does best nets; impeccable gray suits as — along with the classic navy sleek as-mother-of pearl; and a pea coat, the brief matador rich catch: skirts with fish net bolero and his latest take on the ver sea urchin embroideries.

Valentino's fully wrapped and draped. hemes sink his shows. But this hazardous waves of chiffon ruffles were deftly navigated. Be-calmed in a sea of beige? No,

Rendez-vous

because the surface of a pantsuit was roughened like spray and its back in smooth

Feeling seasick? Land ahov for chiffon dresses printed with printed butterflies and sloppy blouses with jaunty satin leans.

The pretty young models (the over-exposed top names were banished) had long hair, gentle makeup and wore flat sandals. The collection showed Valentino on top form.

Saint Laurent has been smart enough to play it long. While other designers were shooting for the hip and trendy, he stood turbing, the establishment's disdainfully apart. Now that role is to soothe and please. But fashion has come back to rethe summery breeze that blew ality, Saint Laurent's irrethrough both collections gave proachable cut and impeccable taste seem both right and re-

assuring.

He had also softened up. And how charming of making elegance seem easy in Valentino to share with the this off-on-vacation show with world the view from his yacht. its ragged-fringe straw hats, All aboard! for a fashion cruise cropped tops and long skirts. as the show opened with ship- For Saint Laurent played it long shape navy and white cropped with hemlines too, which gave fresh proportions to his signa-

on to be mistaken for the crew. That is a typical example of Out on the ocean wave, there an item that other designers are tuxedo: a black dress master-

When the fashion world was one surfed through. Whoosh, as fixated on monochrome, Saint Laurent's insistence on summery prints seemed stubborn. But, once again, fashion has come back to him and the flowery ruffled dresses had a lighthearted summer charm.

The lace cutouts projected on Jean Paul Gaultier's runway augured well for his show, which started with open-work patterns was a spirited designer doing a modern take on Old World



black-and-white dot print and Saint Laurent's swirling evening gown with shawl.

(Stetsons, chaps and embroi-

striped tailoring, neoprene vinyl runway came everything sandals seemed chaotic - althat a New Age traveler might though there were plenty of

dered boots) through India.
China and beyond.
This idea of the ethnic melt
This idea of the ing pot has been brilliantly ex- line. Designer Josephus Melon synthetic white fabrics. Here ploited by Gaultier, but this chior Thirnister put his focus on show, with its confluence of cut, using scissors and seams on computer prints, sleek pin- gauzy fabrics to make kimono But then down the white bustiers djellabas and Japanese butterfly wings. Such studied simplicity, in graphic black and white, with models unadomed that a New Age traveier might ideas in there trying to get out.

The quiet renewal of the auseemed refreshingly modern.

gust house of Balenciaga is ap-



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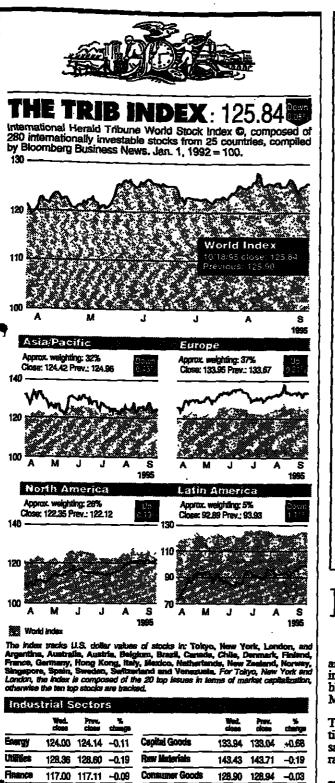
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By Glenn Rifkin

New York Times Service

the world's No. 2 athletic shoe company, with about 35 million pairs sold. He

created lucrative markets for termis, bas-

ketball, walking and fitness shoes and

championed Reebok's identification

with human-rights causes. He even per-

snaded Cybill Shepherd to wear bright

orange Reeboks at the Emmy Awards.

Now Angel R. Martinez, who was born in Cuba but was separated from his

parents when he was taken to New York

ment by Reebok: to remake Rockport Co., a \$300 million Reebok subsidiary

stuck with a reputation as a dull, plod-

In one of his first big moves, Rock-port, which pioneered the walking-shoe

market but must now share it with vigor-

ous rivals, in November will introduce a

line of shoes for men and women that

emphasizes jazzy fashion to accompany

Rockport's trademark comfort and qual-

It is a risky decision, but some, includ-ing his boss, Paul B. Fireman, Reebok's founder and chairman, say that if Mr.

Martinez succeeds at Rockport, he will

be the top candidate to replace Mr. Fire-

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INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

Trying to Make Walking Shoes Run

nez, 40, has rarely emerged from Mr. Fireman's broad shadow in his 14-year

career at Reebok. But when he left his

post as executive vice president for glob-

al marketing to take on Rockport last

November, many in the industry saw it

as his chance to step into the limelight.

"He is very much a contender for the CEO position," said Peter Russ, an analyst with Shelby Cullom Davis in New

York. He said that if Mr. Martinez could

Angel Martinez, the

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seeking to remake the

company's Rockport

reinvent Rockport, which is based here

near Boston, it may be his ticket to the

by shareholders for Reebok's loss of market share to Nike Inc., the industry

leader, may be Mr. Martinez's biggest

"Some people call Angel a visionary, but he is more than that," Mr. Fireman

said. "He is like a zen master." He said he expected Mr. Martinez to spend at

least three years rebuilding Rockport and that eventually, "there is no reason

Mr. Fireman, who has been criticized

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U.S. Trade Deficit Shrinks but China **Imbalance Grows**

WASHINGTON - A jump in exports slashed the United States' trade deficit 21 percent in August to the lowest level so far this year, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The deficit on trade in goods and services tumbled to \$8.82 billion in August, the smallest monthly gap since \$7.89 billion last December. The reading was well below economists fore-casts of \$11 billion.

The department said the shortfall in trade with Japan. Western Europe and Mexico all narrowed, but the deficit with China grew.

Analysts said the surprisingly strong trade performance in August helped the economy in the third quarter. But they were uncertain the monthly deficits would continue to shrink.

"The report is very positive for the long-term prospects of the U.S. economy," said Gene Sherman, an economist at M.A. Schapiro & Co. in New York. A re-

cord level of exports, he added, suggests that manufacturing and capital investment will pick up "fur-ther down the road."

Even with the improvement, however, the trade deficit for this year in goods and services is running at an annual rate of \$123.2 billion, far above last year's \$106.21 billion.

Exports of goods and services climbed to a record \$65.74 billion in August, an increase of 3.7 percent from July. Imports were basically unchanged at \$74.56 billion.

The United States typically runs a trade surplus with other countries in services such as travel and tourism, which partly offsets big merchandise trade deficits.

The merchandise deficit narrowed 15 percent in August, to \$13.83 billion from \$16.23 billion in July. The surplus on services fell marginally to \$5.01 billion from \$5.04 billion.

Big gainers on the export side were sales of commer-See TRADE, Page 16

[Reebok announced a 10 percent drop

in third-quarter profit after the stock

market closed Tuesday, to \$76.2 million,

because markdowns on inventory re-

duced margins, Bloomberg Business News reported. The drop in profit came

despite an 8 percent rise in quarterly sales, to \$1.01 billion. Sales at Rockport

Mr. Martinez admitted he had thought

about the possibility of running Reebok

but insisted his heart was in the task at

hand. "I want to build Rockport into a

\$1 billion company," he said. "I'd get more pleasure in that than running Rec-

Mr. Martinez is candid about what he found at Rockport. Sales grew 11 percent last year, to \$314.5 million, but the com-

pany was "treading water - not sinking, but not going anywhere," he said. Manag-

ers talked about "price points," not inno-

Rockports, he said, "were your grand-father's shoe." The average customer age

was 53, he said, and the products "were

not exciting consumers."

Mr. Martinez has undertaken a com-

plete remake. He hired Chris Kittle from

Ferragamo to head the design depart-ment and opened a Rockport design stu-

"I see him dedicated to making Rock-

Inspiration got Mr. Martinez his big-See REEBOK, Page 20

port a global brand, creating an excitement around the brand," Mr. Russ of

Shelby Cullom Davis said.

dio in Florence.

grew 18 percent, to \$110.4 million.]

Wells Bids for First Interstate

By Lawrence Malkin International Herald Tribuna

NEW YORK — Wells Fargo & Co. of San Francisco offered a colossal \$10 bilhion in stock Wednesday to take over First Interstate Bancorp of Los Angeles and create a Western banking giant to rival the Bank of America,

It was the first time in the current round of U.S. banking amalgamations that a hos-tile offer was made, and the stock-market reaction indicates Wells Fargo is likely to be successful.

For weeks the two California banks had been privately discussing a merger to become the country's seventh largest bank in terms of assets. The chairman of Wells Fargo, Paul Hazen, predicted their com-bined weight and the savings from elimi-

nating overlapping functions would increase earnings by 30 percent.

But William E. B. Siart, First Interstate's chairman, balked at the offer, so Mr. Hazen announced a public bid before Wall Street opened and, as he later said, decided to "let the market speak."

It promptly did so in a resounding vote of approval. Not only did First Interstate's shares rocket up by \$34.75, to \$140.75 a share, but Wells Fargo also gained \$15.375 a share, to \$229 - an extremely rare occurrence for the company that initiates a takeover bid.

Wells Pargo's officers reckoned that the cash flow of the merged bank would be higher than the annual charge it would have to take to amortize the cost of buying First Interstate. With that profit, they would buy back their own stock, raising its

Mr. Hazen said the stock market's reaction actually made his offer a better one than his final terms Tuesday night and the result for the shareholders of swapping two-thirds of a Wells Fargo share for each First Interstate share would mean an equal merger in terms of value.

But the biggest immediate winners were not the banks but the billionaire Warren Buffett. His Berkshire Hathaway Inc. holding company is Wells Fargo's largest single shareholder, with 12.3 percent of the stock; the takeover offer made Mr. Buffett an \$80 million paper profit in one day.

Mr. Hazen said he had consulted Mr.

Buffett about the merger, adding that all major shareholders supported his strategy. It is known on Wall Street as a "bear hug" because the huge stock-market gains for First Interstate's shareholders make it risky for First Interstate's directors to reject the offer without facing lawsuits from stockholders

Mr. Siart issued a statement saying that he was "deeply disappointed" by the take-over bid and that he would have to consider his next move with his board. David Berry, chief of research at Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, which specializes in bank stocks, said that while some big banks in the eastern part of the United States might be interested in bidding for a California beachhead, the deal made more sense with Wells Fargo. He said Wells Fargo would probably win in the end with its offer, which is worth three times First Interstate's book value.

Then why would Mr. Siart resist such a rich offer? The answer lies mainly in the personnel policies of banking. Most bank presidents move diligently up the ladder and will fight literally to the death of their careers to avoid yielding power and status for which they have worked all their lives

- especially to an equal.

Mr. Siart is 47 and has just taken over

the chairmanship of First Interstate after 17 years with the bank. Mr. Hazen's career is cut from the same cloth; after 25 years with Wells Fargo, he was named chairman this year at the age of 54.

Only one of them can win. Asked what would happen to Mr. Siart if the merger went through, Mr. Hazen said he had "not had the opportunity to talk about how to merge the managements of the two companies, but that is the first issue to put on the

The other advantages were obvious to analysts who accepted Mr. Hazen's reasoning. He said he could save \$700 million a year by combining the branches and managements of both banks and laying off employees. Wells Fargo, California's second largest bank, has 861 outlets in the state, 312 of them in supermarkets. First Interstate, ranking third in California, has 1,133 offices in 13 Western states, which would helped turn the merged bank into a regional powerhouse.

■ BankAmerica Shows Strong Net

BankAmerica Corp. said its third quar-ter earnings jumped nearly 30 percent from the comparable period a year earlier, Knight-Ridder reported.

Net income rose to \$704 million from

the third quarter of 1994.
Richard Rosenberg, the chairman and chief executive of BankAmerica, said the result reflected growth in average loans, partly because of the bank's acquisition of

Continental Bank Corp. The number of outstanding loans continued to increase and expenses remained

at an appropriate level, he said.

Among the bank's quarterly highlights, net interest income rose 13 percent, to \$252 million, primarily reflecting the growth in average loans.

French Banks Lift Base Rates in Blow to Economy

PARIS — French commercial banks announced increases in their base lending rates Wednesday, dealing a fresh blow to the slowing economy and Prime

This is more bad news for the gov-

The base rate rise reflected an increase in market rates after the Bank of France last week raised its 24-hour emergency lending rate to 7.25 percent from 6.15 percent to defend the franc. It only partly unwound the increase on Monday, lowering the rate by just a

France as crucial to being included in an economy because most borrowing was linked to long-term bond yields. hour emergency lending rate just two days after Monday's cut.

consumer spending and creation of But economists said the usually sure-businesses and jobs, important to bring-footed central bank might have been too ing down France's stubbornly high un-

would have to move again to raise its 24-

hasty in its monetary easing.

The bank cut the 24-hour rate after it

No sooner had it had reduced the rate than the currency dived again. This time it was on newspaper reports implicating Finance Minister Jean Arthuis in a party

Ford Profit Fell 68% In Quarter Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

DEARBORN, Michigan - Ford Motor Co.'s thirdquarter profit slumped as the company's car sales suffered, especially in Europe, and all the money the company did manage to earn came from its financial services business

The carmaker reported net income of \$375 million, or 28 cents a share, down 68 percent from the \$1.12 billion, or \$1.04 a share, it earned in its record third quarter last year.

Analysts had been pecting poor results, but Ford's earnings were considerably below estimates that generally ranged near 33 cents. The company's shares closed at \$30.125, down 62.5 cents.

David McCammon, a vice president of Ford, also said he expected the company to report lower fourth-quarter results compared with a year earlier, although he believed they would be higher than the

third quarter. He said continued costs associated with new model introductions over the next two quarters were likely to dampen fourth-quarter

earnings. The automaker's thirdquarter revenue was \$31.4

billion, up 2.6 percent from the third quarter last year.
Their North American

results were better than expected, but Europe was weaker than expected," said John Casesa, an analyst with Schroder, Wertheim & Co.

Analysts had predicted that Ford would post a loss on U.S. operations. Instead, Ford made \$187 mil-See FORD, Page 16

employment rate of 11.4 percent. "This will reinforce talk the strong-franc policy is putting pressure on small business and stifling growth even if it only affects a small number of borrow-only affects a small number of borrow-of a housing conflict and be replaced by someone who might be less fiscally requarter of a percentage point. The base rate rise was the first change ernment and makes it harder for the Economists said market doubts per- sponsible.

order to qualify.

Minister Alain Juppe's government.
The banks, led by the so-called Big
Three — Societé Générale, Banque Nationale de Paris and Crédit Lyonnais said they were raising their base lending rates to 8.20 percent from 7.90 percent.

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since Sept. 4, when it was cut to reflect

International Herald Tribune

or two than to change the criteria," he said.

Maastricht treaty on European integration.

fying for the single currency.

Yet Mr. Rexrodt said he remained "optimis-

"France is strongly committed to Europe. The

French know that without European integration,

their country will be located on the edge of Europe," he said.

The economy minister said Germany hoped

that monetary union would be achieved "as soon

as possible." But he stressed that "for me, one

"What is more important is that the Maas-

tricht criteria be maintained and that we have

sanctions against EMU members that do not

Turning to Germany's economic outlook, Mr.

year later or sooner is not decisive."

tic" that France would succeed by 1999 in quali-

The German economy minister acknowledged

Bank of France to argue that the 'strong franc' is good for the economy," said Julian Jessop of HSBC Markets.

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EMU: A Vote for Later, Not Weaker Rexrodt said he expected a 2.5 percent growth rate for both 1995 and 1996, "helped by relatively positive developments in investment and also by stronger consumer demand next year that will

BERLIN — Germany's economy minister said Wednesday that it would be preferable to benefit from lower tax burdens on families." delay European monetary union by a year or two beyond its planned launch in 1999 than to relax The main problem facing Germany, he added, was the difficulty in getting the rate of unem-ployment in western states below its present level of 8.3 percent. "The reasons for unemployment the conditions that countries need to meet in have a structural base and we must fight it with structural reforms," Mr. Rexrodt said. Günter Rexrodt, in an interview here, said he hoped and believed that France would succeed in

Mr. Rexrodt also said he was eager to see reducing its budget deficit enough to meet the criteria for monetary union in 1999. "But if they reforms in Germany's system of collective wage don't make it, then it will be better to wait a year negotiations, noting that it was not always help-ful to have a single agreement across an entire industrial sector. There must be exceptions, related to special areas or regions or companies. that some in Europe doubted whether France would succeed in bringing its public sector bud.

There is a big difference between Lower Saxony get deficit down to 3 percent of its gross domestic and Baden-Württemburg," he said.

product by 1997. This, along with targets on inflation and public debt, is one of the key Turning to the complaints that some big companies have voiced over the strength of the Deutcriteria for monetary union contained in the sche mark and the resulting need to transfer some manufacturing jobs out of Germany, Mr. Rexrodt said he understood but could not offer government aid beyond some limited assistance in military research and development.

> In the case of Daimler-Benz AG, which has been particularly vocal about the effects of the strong mark, Mr. Rexrodt said, "I tell them to do their homework, and watch the dollar."

> Mr. Rexrodt, who on Thursday will address a conference here organized by the International Herald Tribune, said he planned to give a pro-gress report on the performance of the new Eastern states since German unification.

> "The upswing has started for the eastern states, but we have only gone halfway," he said, noting that roughly \$700 billion had already been spent since unification occurred five years ago.

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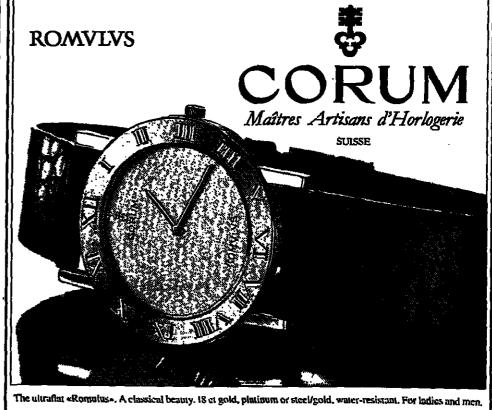
SINGAPORE - Former executives of Barings PLC are being investigated by authorities here for possible criminal of-fenses linked to the demise of the British bank, officials said Wednesday. Lawrence Ang, director of the Commercial Affairs De-

partment, said charges would be brought against "anyone who has committed an offense under our purview."

Mr. Ang declined to name the individuals under investigation but said Singapore would pursue extradition of anyone charged with committing crimes in the island-state.

His remarks came a day after the release of a government report criticizing the management of Barings. Singapore has filed a dozen

charges of fraud and forgery against Nicholas Leeson, the former Barings trader whose losses on futures operations crushed the merchant bank. (AFX, AFP, Reuters)



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Very briefly:

Former MGM Chief Parretti Arrested

LOS ANGELES (Reuter) - Giancarlo Parretti, the former

Mr. Parretti used to control a group of movie companies called

owner of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc., was arrested Wednesday

by federal agents acting on an extradition request from France,

Pathé Group, and in 1990 he engineered a takeover of MGM. While Mr. Parretti was in control of MGM-Pathé, it included a

French company called Europe Image Distribution.

The French complaint alleges Mr. Parretti caused Europe

Image to engage in transactions that benefited other companies in

Competition Slashes Apple Earnings SAN JOSE, California (AP) — Apple Computer Inc., suffering

from inability to meet demand and the pricing pressure of

competitors, on Wednesday reported a 48 percent drop profit for

The company earned \$60 million in the three months ended

Sept. 29, down from \$115 million a year earlier. Revenue rose 20

· General Dynamics Corp. carned a net profit of \$91 million in the

• Johnson & Johnson's net profit was \$623 million in the third

tripled, to \$4.74 billion, helped by strong pharmaceutical sales.

percent, to \$3 billion from \$2.5 billion.

some operations.

More Flights Help AMR Earnings

FORT WORTH, Texas — AMR Corp., the parent of American Airlines, said Wednesday that its net income rose 22 percent in the third quarter as more flights offset lower tourist traffic to Caribbean

The airline earned a net \$229 million in the quarter, up from \$188 million a year earlier, as revenue rose to \$4.45 billion from \$4.23 billion.

The results included a one-time loss of \$4 million because of a charge for the early retirement of debt.

The airline would have turned in a stronger performance, but hurricanes sweeping the Caribbean cut revenue from those routes by about \$13 million, said Robert Crandall, chairman and chief executive of AMR.

"Despite the recent hurricanes, we had quite a satisfactory summer, thanks in large part to modest industry capacity growth and a very strong schedule," Mr.

The company said operating revenue rose 5 percent from a year earlier, to \$4.45 billion, helped by a 3 percent increase in passenger traffic.

But operating expenses also rose 5 percent, to \$3.92 billion. Meanwhile, USAir Group Inc. posted

its first third-quarter profit in seven years on record revenue. The airline, based in Arlington, Virginia, said net income was \$21.6 million, reversing

a loss of \$199.5 million a year earlier. Revonue rose to \$1.87 billion from \$1.75 billion. USAir credited the turnaround to slashing unprofitable routes and getting higher air fares after the collapse of Continental Lite, the low-fare version of rival Continental Airlines Inc.

The company said it was in the middle of a \$1 billion cost-cutting drive that helped lift profit. USAir's fleet cutbacks reduced aircraft maintenance costs, fuel, landing and rental fees and the cost of depreciation in the quarter.

Available seat miles declined by 9.1 percent from a year ago, while the load factor, or the percentage of seats filled with paying passengers, rose 2.3 percent. (AFX. Bloomberg)

■ Profit Rises for McDonnell Douglas McDonnell Douglas Corp.'s third-quarter carnings rose 20 percent, helped by a strong performance at its military aircraft segment, news agencies reported from St.

The company's revenue rose slipped to \$3.35 billion from \$3.46 billion. Profit from operations rose to \$167 million from \$140 million, slightly below analysts' ex-

Operating profit in the military aircraft business rose 30 percent, to \$237 million, as higher profit margins offset nearly flat

The commercial aircraft division poster an operating loss of \$7 million, compared with an operating profit of \$8 million a year ago. The division had been profitable for 19 consecutive quarters, even as commercial jet orders dwindled. (AFX, Bloombers) (AFX, Bloomberg)

FORD: Sales Slump Hits Profit

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lion in the United States. But the carmaker lost \$388 million in overseas markets and Europe points to 1,045.12 after climbaccounted for \$320 million in

Ford's auto business lost \$201 million worldwide, worsening from a profit of \$619 million a year earlier.

European operations were hurt by lower sales and higher

U.S. Stocks

spending on marketing to sell cars, including new models, in a weak market. Ford said. The company also had currency-ex-

change losses. The European results are even causing the company to examine high-cost production sites in Europe, especially in Germany, said David McCammon, Ford's vice president of finance.

In the first nine months, Ford earned \$3.5 billion, or \$3.13 a share, down 7 percent from the first nine months of last year.

Ford was the last of the three U.S. automakers to release its quarterly financial results, and its performance was the worst. General Motors Corp. said its profit was up 16 percent, and last week Chrysler Corp. said earnings skidded 46 percent. (Bloomberg, AFX)

■ Tech Shares Rally On

Stocks closed mixed as rallies in Microsoft and First Inter- of strong results. state sent the Standard & Poor's 500 Index to a record, balancing a drop in cyclical shares, Bloomberg Business News reported from Tokyo.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 18.42 points to 4,777.52, while the Nasdao Composite Index rose 9.68

ing 17.31 points on Tuesday. The S&P 500, representing 74 percent of the value of all U.S. stocks, rose 0.68 to its second consecutive record of 587.46. Regional bank, software, computer, semiconductor and drug

stocks added most to the ad-

vance. Microsoft surged 4% to 95% after unexpectedly strong quarterly earnings, while First Inter-state surged 34% to 140% after Wells Fargo bid for it. Caterpillar slid 2% to 511/2 after reporting disappointing carnings, while Alcoa slipped 1 to 50% on concern about rising aluminum production.

Shares in investor Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway, owner of 14 percent of Wells Fargo, climbed 150 to 29,700. "What we have is a very di-

vergent market," said Don Hays, director of investmen strategy at Wheat First Butcher Singer. Technology and financial stocks have led the market higher this year, but investors looking at other industries are "starting to get very concerned about the economy, especially Christmas sales and falling car

Bay Networks rose 14 to 63%, and Compaq Computer rose 2% to 54% on the strength

Confidence in the business outlook for Microsoft spilled over to other technology stocks, driving their prices higher, trad-

U.S. Dailies Merge Internet Job Listings

By William Glaberson New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Six of the largest U.S. newspapers said they had begun a job-listings service on the Internet that provided access to their combined help-wanted

The newspapers are the Boston Globe, chicago Tribune, Los Angeles Times, The New York Times, the San Jose Mercury-News and the Washington Post.

The service began providing electronic access this week to the help-wanted advertisements that are printed in the six news-

Executives at the papers said the service, called CareerPath.com (http://www.car-ecrpath.com), would eventually be expanded to carry classified advertising purchased to appear exclusively on the Internet. They also said they planned to add other services to allow advertisers and job seekers to search electronic listings to

match candidates with jobs. Some analysts said the move by the newspapers was largely defensive, because it is widely believed that on-line advertising will ultimately pose a broad challenge to newspaper classified advertising.

By trying to establish an early presence in the market, the analysts said, the newspapers hope to preserve their classifiedadvertising revenue, which is estimated to make up about 35 percent of the total revenue from their printed advertising.

"The reality is if we're not there doing it, somebody else will be," said Miles Groves, the chief economist of the Newspaper Association of America.

Many newspapers, employment agencies, universities and corporations already list job openings on the Internet and on-

TRADE: Rising Exports Help Trim U.S. Deficit to Lowest Level for Year, but Gap With China Continues to Widen

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cial aircraft, which jumped by \$318 million to \$1.07 billion in August. For the year, however, aircraft exports are down 27 percent, reflecting weakness in sales of what has been for many years one of America's top exthird quarter, up from \$54 million, on strong revenue from defense contracts and a one-time gain of \$29 million from the sale ports.

Other gains for the month were recorded in sales of comquarter, up 19 percent from a year earlier, as revenue almost puters, up \$219 million, and computer chips, up \$105 mil-

On the import side, auto im- to bring their inventories in line from 100.450 year and 1.4143 running above last year's record ports rose by \$416 million to with sales. \$10.43 billion.

America's crude oil imports goods had gotten too high and edged down to \$3.59 billion in August as the price per barrel fell to \$15.31, compared with \$15.60, while the number of barrels edged down to an aver-age of 7.57 billion from 7.65 tled away," Kelly said. barrels edged down to an aver-

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Foreign Exchange

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Against other currencies, the dollar rose to 1.1571 Swiss

largest deficit was with Japan imbalance. an imbalance of \$5.11 bil-

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With China, the United States had a record deficit of francs from 1.1482 francs and \$3.93 billion - the highest to 4.9885 French francs from monthly deficit the United 4.9660. The pound fell to States has ever recorded with \$1.5695 from \$1.5730. States has ever recorded with any country other than Japan, any country other than Japan. As usual, America's trade and 17.9 percent above the July

"China will replace Japan as lion. While this was the fifth our No. I headache on trade," straight month that the deficit said Song Won Sohn, an econowith Japan had declined, the mist at Norwest Corp. in Minimbalance for the year is still neapolis, adding that the deficit

with that country could soar to \$40 billion this year from \$29.5 billion last year.

Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown, in Hong Kong for meetings with business leaders, called the deficit with China "disturbing." He said he told Chinese officials this week during a visit to Beijing that President Bill Clinton wanted "a more balanced economic rela-

(AP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Hafslund Plans Merger With U.S. Drug Firm

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
OSLO — Hafslund Nycomed A/S of Norway and Ivax Corp. of the United States said Wednesday they planned to don, said, "This is very positive merge in a \$6.5 billion share for Hafslund, since one of their swap that would create a drug and diagnostics company with ue-added generics, which have annual sales in excess of \$2.5 higher margins than standard

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The deal comes as major drug companies struggle to cut costs and gain market share. It will be the second merger between U.S. and Scandinavian drug compa-nies this year. Pharmacia AB of

SAP Software Warns of Drop In Revenue

Compiled Fram Dispatches
WALLDORF, Germany -- SAP AG, the German industrial software group, said Wednesday that sales in the last quarter of 1995 would not match the brisk pace recorded a

year earlier. "SAP does not expect sales growth in the final three months of this year to match last year's fourthquarter growth, which was exceptionally strong," the

company said. The company also said earnings on ordinary activities in the first nine months of 1995 rose 47 percent, to 385 million Deutsche marks (\$272.2 million). But it cautioned that those earnings reflected a loss of about 25 million DM on currency trans-

Sales during the period rose 57 percent, to 1.14 billion DM. SAP said orders had risen 65 percent during the reporting period.
(AFX, Reuters)

Sweden agreed in August to merge with Upjohn Co.

Jane Fiskin, an analyst with

Shareholders in each com-

pany are to receive one share in

the new company for each share

they hold. The merger excludes

Hafslund shares rose 23 kro-

Hafslund's energy division.

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The company resulting from the merger will be called Ivax Nycomed Corp. and is expected

to be a leading diagnostic imag-ing company. Hafslund Ny-comed bought the diagnostic

imaging business of Sterling

Winthrop Inc. last year and is

the world's biggest maker of

chemical dyes that help doctors

Ivax is the world's largest

generic-drug manufacturer. Generic drugs — cheaper ver-

sions of brand-name drugs

whose patent protection has ex-

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Getting Serious About Selling Off **Eastern Europe Puts Privatization on Fast Track**

By Nathaniel C. Nash New York Times Service

BUDAPEST - It has been hard lately to take privatization in Eastern Europe seriously. Just look at the case of Hungary

over the past year. When foreign investors seemed to have locked up a deal to buy a dairy, the purchase was scratched in favor of a lower offer by a local farming cooperative. "Very important political reasons" were cited.

In December, when a Dallas hotel company was on the verge of buying the Hungar Hotels chain, Prime Minister Gyula Horn stopped the deal and ordered an investigation that led to the dismissal of the privatization commissioner.

But now, there seems to have been a reversal. After more than two years of bumbling along, Hungary has put up for sale the crown jewels — its oil company, its electricity and gas distribution industry, its major banks and a second installment of stock in the state telephone Corp. already owns a 30 percent stake.

Global players in oil and gas, electricity and telecommunications are knocking on Hungary's door, apparently convinced that the country is at last getting serious

about privatizing its largest companies. The government has hired investment bankers, including CS First Boston, Kleinwort Benson Securities, Merrill

Lynch & Co. and Deutsche Bank AG to

market the companies and hopes to raise MOL will represent the first time an oil nearly \$2 billion in the next few months. company in Eastern Europe has gone on

of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in Budapest. "That is Hungary's state oil and gas company, which plans to sell stock beginning in mid-November.

Indeed, bankers say that over the next year, more money could be poured into privarizations in Eastern Europe by foreign investors than in all the previous

years combined. In July, the Czech Republic got \$1.45 billion for a stake in its state telephone company bought by a consomium led by Koninklijke PIT of the Netherlands.

In Poland, where few of the major state-owned enterprises have been sold to private investors, the government is taking the first serious steps, Western bankers say. It recently set up a system under which 14 investment funds, with company. Matav. A consortium of heavy representation of foreign capital Deutsche Telekom AG and Ameritech and managers, will control about 400

state-owned companies. In Hungary, polls show that the public opposes the sell-offs, but the government seems to have little choice. It is burdened with almost \$22 billion in debt and is running big budget deficits. Selling state assets is one way to get employees off bloated public payrolls and repay some of

the debt. The sale of the 30 percent stake in posing the privatization program.

The interest in privatizations here is the block and one of the few times any very strong," said Sunil Sabharwal, head government has offered to sell its oil

MOL has several advantages. One is its quite obvious by the number of major sheer size. It dominates the economy, accompanies that are looking at MOL," counting for 90 percent of the nation's oil and gas production, refining and reserves. it is a fully integrated energy company, involved in stages from exploration to importing natural gas from Russia, refining crude oil and operating a chain of gasoline

> Its Duna oil refinery south of Budapest is considered "among the most sophis-ticated units in the Central and East Eu-

> ropean region," according to a recent report by Nomura Securities in London. The same report estimated that the oil and gas reserves of MOL were worth \$1.8 billion, compared with its current market value of \$1 billion.

value of \$1 billion.

The global public offering of a 30 percent stake that Merrill Lynch and Kleinwort Benson are planning in the second state of November is expected to bring in at least \$300 million.

But hopes for a smooth sale were nearly dashed Sept. 12, when the government dismissed two top executives at the company and replaced them with Lazlo Pal, a hard-line Socialist who is a leader of the far-left faction of the Socialist Party. A Russian-trained engineer with no experience in the oil business, he was dismissed as trade minister in June for op-

Head of Alitalia

ROME — The chief exec-

utive of Alitalia Airlines, who

was expected to be fired at a

board meeting Wednesday,

lashed out against the state

holding company that controls

"They wanted a scapegoat,"

Roberto Schisano told the

newspaper La Repubblica,

IRI, the Italian state holding

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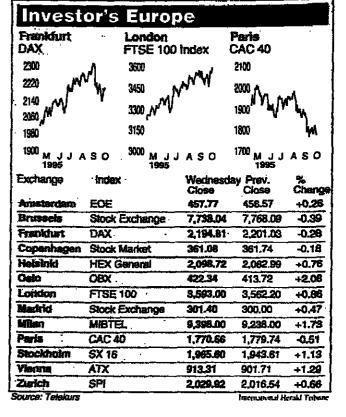
net loss of 197 billion lire

(\$122.9 million) for the first half

'and they've found him.''

the airline.

Blasts Owners



Very briefly:

 The European Commission will allow Daimler-Benz AG to merge its rail equipment activities with those of ABB Asea Brown Boveri, creating the world's biggest train supplier. The commission said the German industrial concern's divestiture of Kiepe Elektronik GmbH, a rail equipment supplier, would help open up the market for local trains.

Siemens AG plans to invest £80 million (\$125.6 million) in Mercury Communication Ltd.'s equipment unit, a division of Cable & Wireless PLC. The German company is buying a 75 percent stake in the unit for an undisclosed price.

Finland's largest forest product companies. Repola Oy, Kymmene Oy and Euso-Gutzeit Oy all reported strong increases in eight-month pretax profit as paper price rises sent revenue higher. But analysts said the market showed signs of weakening

and that paper prices might ebb soon. Kymmene said profit almost quadrupled, to 2.05 billion markka (\$480 million).

SCA, a Swedish pulp and paper producer, said prevailing market conditions did not permit pulp price increases over current levels of \$925 a tonne and that the state of the market was difficult to predict, SCA's comments followed speculation that pulp prices could reach \$1,000 a tonne.

 Neste Oy reported a 52 percent increase in profit for the eight months ended in August, to 1.14 billion markka. The state-owned Finnish oil and gas company also said it would offer 10 million shares at 78 markka each as part of a privatization plan to begin

 Pirelli SpA 's Pirelli Cavi SpA unit won a 160 billion lire (\$99.8 million) contract for the supply and installation of an underwater energy system in Malaysia.

• Intel Corp. plans to make the biggest investment in Irish manufacturing history with a \$1.2 billion expansion of a microprocessing plant, the Irish government said.

· Poland's Telecommunications Ministry is inviting bids to construct two mobile telephone networks to cover the whole of the country. Two operators will be chosen at the end of the first half of Bloomberg, Reuters, AP, AFX

Ivax had \$1.13 billion in revenue in 1994 and \$89 million in SGS-Thomson Sets Share Price

Phillip Frost, chairman of Compiled by Our Staff From Dispasches PARIS — SGS-Thomson Microelectronics NV said Wednesday it had set a price of \$43.50 a share for a global offering of 18 million common

Analysts said profit growth at shares. Hafshind Nycomed had been The limited by a lack of capital. In tor maker announced the share offering Sept. 27, saying 11.7 February, the company said 1994 pretax income dropped 16 million shares would be offered percent, to 1.31 billion Norwe- in the United States. On in the United States. On gian kroner, on sales of 7.81 billion kroner. Ivax has grown through acmon shares that would be outquisitions. The company bought a Polish drug company, Pharstanding after the offering.

matop Ltd., on Oct. 4 for about \$10.5 million in stock.

from SGS-Thomson Microelectronics Holdings BV, and of French state-owned compa-

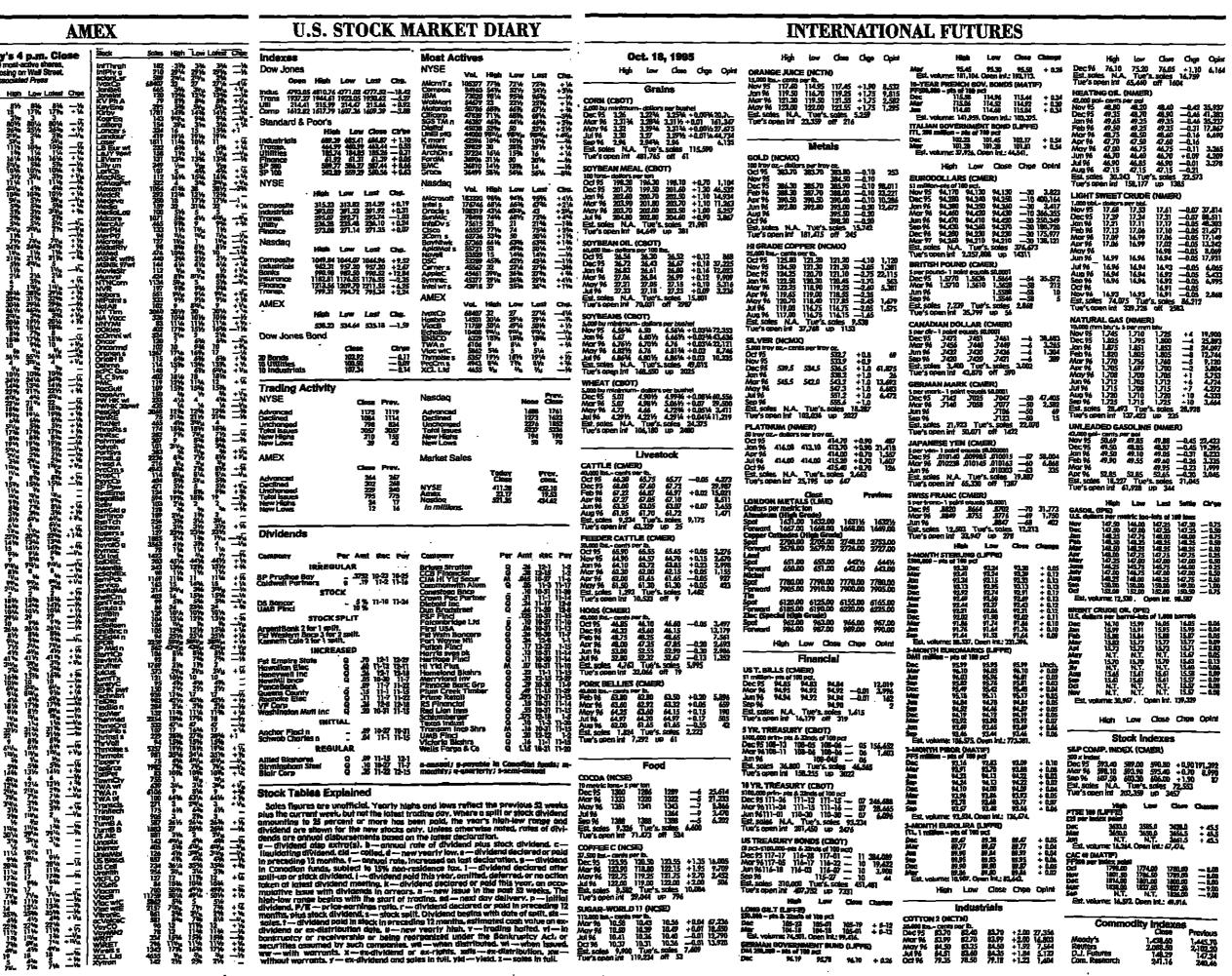
the French defense contractor with its parent, Thomson SA. The European semiconducthat owns about 20 percent of half profit of 364 million francs (\$73 million), reversing a yearearlier loss of 176 million Wednesday, the company said francs. Strong results at SGS-the issue represented 13.2 percent of the 136,783.780 comsales, to 15.52 billion francs.

Thomson-CSF said it ex-Of the 18 million shares, pected the improvement in the 7,610,000 are being sold by the company's net results "to be company, 6,815,000 come borne out in the full year."

Thomson-CSF is on the list 3,575,000 come from Thorn nies to be privatized in the EMI PLC. The shares will be spring, although the governquoted in New York and Paris. ment has not decided whether Meanwhile, Thomson-CSF, to sell the unit separately or

A sale of Thomson as a whole, SGS-Thomson, posted a first- which would raise around 5 billion francs, is an attractive proposition because it would create a balanced group with interests in defense electronics, consumer goods and semiconductors. an industry analyst company, asked Mr. Schisano to

> Alternatively, the state could opt to sell Thomson-CSF and Thomson Multimedia separate- of this year. Mr. Schisano, who ly. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFX) joined Alitalia in 1994, refused. 1996, they said.



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China Exporters Threatened by **Tax-Rebate Cut**

government, short of cash, will of cash into the economy. cut by more than a third a tax officials said Wednesday.

Rebates owed to companies this year also will not be paid from each other. If the govuntil next year, a Chinese tax ernment doesn't pay up, that official said. The rebates amount to as much as 100 percent of the value-added tax that exporters pay on their goods.

Many exporters have said they may go under unless they receive this year's rebates.

The rebates have been a problem for Beijing since they were cut to 14 percent this July.

The government owes 35 bilintroduced last year to promote exports. Exports surged this year, as did claims for rebates.

The cut in next year's rebates and the delayed payment of rebates this year were made official in a circular sent Oct. 6 by the State Council. The circular said that starting

Jan. 1, most exporters will get a rebate of 9 percent on the valueadded tax paid at their stage of production, according to a govemment spokesman. Previously, the government said it would VAT paid by exporters. rebates of 14 percent on

The new policy is bad news for exporters even if it is good for the economy, analysts said. Ex- Otherwise, inflation would rise, porters are owed billions of dol- and the whole export sector lars in rebates by the govern- would be hurt."

backed conglomerate.

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CITIC Issues Denial

HONG KONG — CITIC Pacific Ltd. denied reports

Wednesday that its largest shareholder had sold 169 million Hong Kong dollars (\$21.9 million) of shares in the China-

Many traders said CITIC Hong Kong (Holdings) Ltd. had sold 7 million shares in CITIC Pacific. CITIC Hong Kong is a

Separately, Moody's Investors Service Inc. assigned a

Baa-2 rating to a \$200 million issue of floating-rate two-year

Euronotes issued by CITIC Pacific Finance Ltd. The rating is

unit of China International Trust & Investment Corp.

BEUING — The Chinese to avoid an inflationary infusion

"This news is definitely disrebate that many exporters say is a matter of life and death, analyst at Bankers Trust Co. "We're already concerned that companies aren't meeting bills

> doesn't set a good example."
> Originally, China imposed a
> 17 percent value-added tax on manufacturers in January 1994. Against this tax, manufacturers were entitled to monthly rebates of as much as 17 percent on exports. The rebate was

lion yuan (\$4.22 billion) in tax rebates from 1994, according to official press reports. Last month, China said its rebate bill for this year would reach 110 billion yuan. It has budgeted only 55 billion yuan.

Meeting that commitment would sabotage government plans to keep the budget deficit to 66.7 billion yuan this year, said Ma Guonan, an economist at Peregrine Brokerage.

"The delay in payment will make this year's deficit number look a little better," Mr. Ma said. "Longer term, they had to bite the bullet and cut rebates.

Victims of a Debt Crisis Scandal Hits Japan's Small Firms

TOKYO - Nishiki Finance Co.'s problems are small change compared with the \$500 billion in bad loans menacing Japan's financial institutions. For hundreds of small businesses, though, the banking crisis begins and ends with the bankrupt Osaka-based lender.

Nishiki's niche was lending to the small businesses that big banks often shun as too risky. Its collapse in August under \$900 million in liabilities has triggered bankruptcies at 427 companies, most of which had fewer than a dozen employees, according to Tokyo Shoko

These dominoes fell because Nishiki allegedly pressured its borrowers to submit promissory notes for several times the amount of the money they actually borrowed, then sold the inflated notes to other lenders to raise funds for its own investments, according to lawyers for the borrowers. Even after Nishiki's bankruptcy, the lawyers say, the borrowers are still responsible

for paying the note holders.

'Nishiki is the tip of an iceberg,' said Kenji
Utsunomiya, a lawyer who heads the Tokyo Council of Consumer and Credit Loan Problems, which aids debtors. "Ever since the burst of the economic bubble, small businesses have had a hard time borrowing funds from banks, so

they have increasingly shifted to riskier loans.
"Many of Nishiki's customers probably realized the risk of depositing those promissory notes, but they had no other place to go for

In the most extreme cases, Mr. Utsunomiya said, companies have had to borrow funds from loan sharks charging annual interest rates of as much as 360 percent, in violation of the government's 40 percent limit.

Most small companies have had to go to firms that re-lend funds borrowed from other financial institutions, generally charging interest of about bond trading at its New York branch.

10 percent. Even that dwarfs the 1 percent to 2 percent that commercial banks charge major customers for loans. Japan's short-term prime rate is at a record low of 1.625 percent.

Nishiki's customers' problems started last spring, when the lender sold the promissory notes without their knowledge, according to

lawyers representing the customers. About 2,200 customers handed Nishiki romissory notes with a face value of at least 32 billion yen (\$320 million), said Minoru Yoneda, the company's bankruptcy administrator. Most of the notes have been cashed, according to Masakiyo Ogawa, a representative of more than 80 lawyers helping Nishiki's customers file lawsuits alleging fraud against Hideo Izumi, 51, Nishiki's president who founded the company in 1972. A dozen such suits have

already been filed nationwide. Nishiki, which had 27 branches and employed about 200 people, demanded that its customers deposit the inflated notes, saying that would make it easier for them to obtain loans in the future, according to some borrowers.

Mr. Yoneda, the bankruptcy administrator, would not comment further on the case except to say that a certified public accountant was reviewing Nishiki's portfolio and transaction records. Nishiki officials could not be reached for comment.

■ Daiwa Shareholders Threaten Suit A group of shareholders in Daiwa Bank Ltd. is threatening to sue the bank's senior management for allegedly violating the Japanese commercial code, Agence France-Presse reported, citing a lawyer representing the group.

The lawyer, Hideito Iida, said the unidentified shareholders were threatening to seek 110 billion yen in damages, the same amount the bank lost through allegedly fraudulent

U.S. Sees China in WTO Soon

BELLING — U.S. Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown indicated here Wednesday that he expected China to be admitted to the World Trade Organization in 1996, while expressing continued concern over the country's barriers to free trade.

"It is hard to conceive of a WTO that in 1996 does not include China," Mr. Brown said. Mr. Brown's comments came a day after China's foreign trade minister. Wu Yi, reiterated accusations that the United States was the "main obstacle" to the success of its long-standing application.

Mr. Brown, wrapping up a two-day visit, said he was up-beat about the future of bilateral relations, which plummeted this summer to their lowest level in years because of Taiwan.

"I came at a time when, if there was continued extension of tension in our relationship, the Chinese would have had the opportunity to communicate it to me, and they didn't," Mr. Brown said.

Instead, the two sides signed

(AP, Bloomberg)

agreements to work together in conversion, environment technology and telecommunication. Mr. Brown's visit was the highest-level visit to China by a U.S. official since relations

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Very briefly:

Japan's upper house of Parliament approved a 5.33 trillion yen (\$53.07 billion) supplementary budget to help carry out a record 14 trillion yen spending package, much of it for public works, to stimulate the economy.

Reebok International Ltd. received complaints from Muslim areas including commercial law. leaders because of an advertising campaign featuring the sig-management training, defense nature of Mohammed Azharuddin, captain of India's cricket team, on a sports shoe. The leaders complain that the ads insult Islam by using the name of Mohammed.

> • Sega Enterprises Ltd. and Softbank Corp. will create a joint-venture company, GameExpress, to distribute video-game and personal-computer software and hardware in the United States.

 The Philippines' Supreme Court temporarily stopped the sale of most of the state-owned Manila Hotel to a consortium led by Renong Berhad of Malaysia and including ITT Sheraton Corp. A rival bidder, Manila Prince Hotel, is arguing that locally owned companies should be given priority.

Taiwan and Macao agreed to establish air links, allowing Air Macao to fly between Taiwan and mainland China with a stopover in the Portuguese colony.

 China, seeking to increase its nuclear-generation capacity to 20,000 megawatts by 2020, will build at least four nuclear power plants in the next five years.

• Thailand approved a plan to reduce its stake in Bangchak Petroleum PLC, a local oil refiner and retailer, to 49 percent from 80 percent, and sell 21 percent to the public.

• LG Chemical Ltd. of South Korea will make cosmetics in China at its joint-venture plant in Zhejiang Province with Second Light Company Group.

Amway Sets Japan's First Share Repurchase

TOKYO - Amway Japan Ltd.'s stock rose 8 percent Wednesday after the company announced Japan's first-ever share buyback, posted a sharp rise in annual profit and declared a special dividend.

The company, which markets home- and personal-care products, said it would reshareholders' return on equity and bolster stock market. its share price.

than 3 percent of the company's 149.6 million shares outstanding.

Analysts said the news was good for shareholders but that Japanese companies would not rush to follow suit before April, when a government tax break for such share repurchases is to take effect.

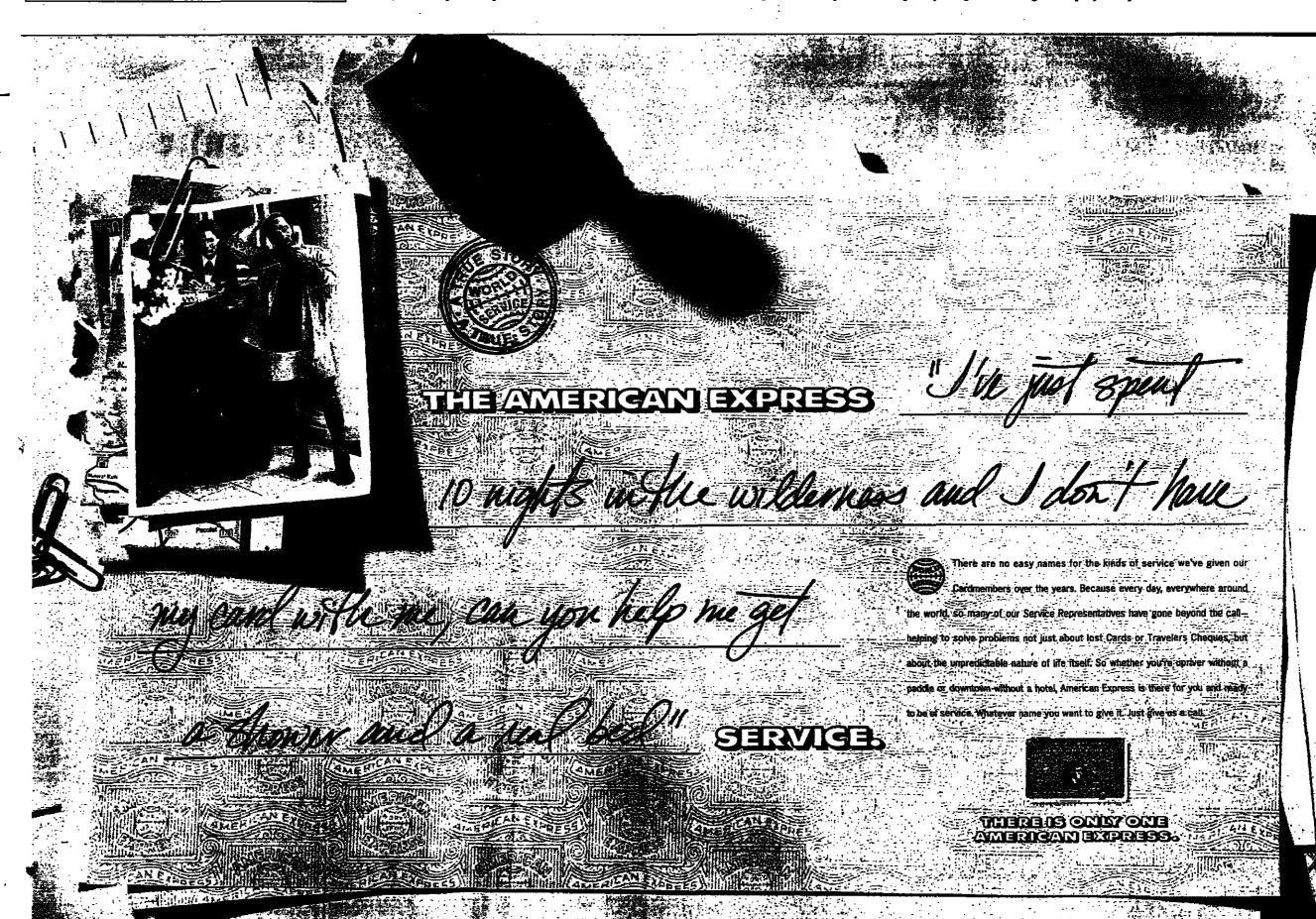
Japan only recently lifted its ban on purchase 5 million of its own shares to raise buybacks in an effort to revitalize Japan's

In late June, when the stock market was Shares in Arnway Japan rose 330 yen, to hovering at three-year lows, Japan pledged 4,620. At that price, the repurchase would to make it easier for companies to buy back cost the company 23.1 billion yen (\$230 their own stock by lifting its ban and freezing million). The buyback represents more taxes on such transactions for two years

beginning in April. Analysts said the ideal buyback candidates were companies with plenty of spare cash, no significant capital expenditure plans and healthy balance

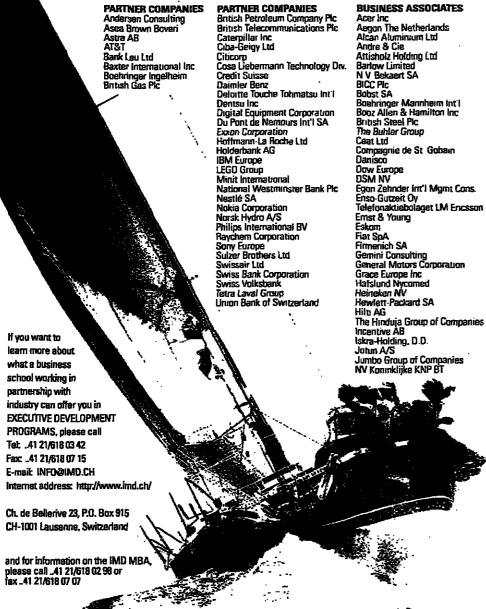
Amway Japan fills the bill. The company said current, or pretax, profit rose 10.6 percent, to 44.21 billion yen, for the year ended Aug. 31. The company also reported a 13 percent rise in current profit, to 45.35 billion yen, on sales of 177.99 billion yen.

Amway Japan also announced a special dividend of 50 yen a share for the year ended in August, raising the total dividend to 190 yen from 140 yen a year ago.



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REEBOK: Angel Martinez Wants to Make Rockport a \$1 Billion Brand.

gest break, in 1982. Driving back to San Francisco after an unsuccessful threeweek sales trip, he despaired at the lack of interest in Reebok running shoes. The market was saturated, and retailers had no shelf space for soft leather models from this obscure company that Mr. Fireman had bought in England.

He stopped at his wife's exercise class - a new West Coast craze called acrobics. Most of the women were barefoot, and many were complaining about leg

and foot injuries.

The proverbial light bulb went on.
"Aerobics shoes," Mr. Martinez said to He took the idea straight to his boss, but Mr. Fireman, who had never heard

of aerobics, rejected it.
Undannted, Mr. Martinez sketched a

design for a shoe and called Steve Liggett, head of Reebok's manufacturing, to ask for help. A prototype was quickly

manufactured in East Asia and shipped to Mr. Martinez, who had such confidence in his brainstorm that he said he would have paid for it himself if he could not sway Mr. Fireman.

When he showed the shoe to local aerobics instructors, they loved it. Mr. Fireman continued to resist, until Mr. Martinez sent a box filled with thousands of orders.

Once on board, Mr. Fireman made a huge bet, ordering 32,000 pairs of what were dubbed Reebok Freestyles. The soft leather and distinct comfort struck a

After a week of sluggish sales, Mr. Martinez thought up a promotion that offered, with each purchase, two weeks free at a class with Richard Simmons, the

host of a television exercise show. The shoes sold out within days, and a vast market was born. Recbok's sales soured from \$3.5 million in 1982 to \$1.4 billion by 1987, almost totally because of the aerobics shoes.

We gave women the first-ever athletic shoe to call their own," Mr. Martinez says. "It became a badge for them."

Whether he can create that same

badge at Rockport remains to be seen. At Rockport, Mr. Martinez is putting style first, scaling down the company's chinky trademark Vibram-sole shoes. In a company whose shoes rarely sold for more than \$100, he is pushing men's dress shoes for \$230.

Just three years after selling its first women's shoes, the company is making a big push in that market. Mr. Martinez expects half his shoes to be women's models by the end of next year, up from 30 percent now.

For Mr. Martinez, the risk is that he might get too "creative" and dilute Rockport's reputation as a no-nonsense, high-quality shoe.

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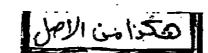
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European Cup: The Elite Starts To Take Control

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches The European elite asserted themselves on Wednesday as fifth minute. the Champions League, the group stage of the Champions Cup, reached halfway.

against Ferencyaros of Hungary Juventus scored three in the first 25 minutes against Glasgow Rangers before easing off. Spartak Moscow, on the other hand, started slowly but scored four in the last half hour to beat Rosenborg of Norway 4-2. Ajax, the

Porto 0, Panathanaikos 1: The Greek champions played for most of the game with 10 men in Oporto yet still gained a win that puts them two points clear of Porto and Nantes at the top of Group A with a game in hand.

The Greeks, who had come to defend, were left with 10 men after striker Alex Alexoudis. who had already been booked, was given his second yellow card in the 35th minute for faking a foul in the penalty area.

The only goal came in the 41st minute when winger Dimitris tition.

Markos dribbled across the edge

The of the penalty area before curling a wicked left-foot shot that Porto's keeper Vitor Baia touched

but could not stop. Panathanaikos play Aalborg, who have lost both their games,

borg, replacements for Dynamo

ging attempt, fell behind to a goal by Nicolas Ouedec in the

from their first two matches, scored 10 minutes later through Reynald Pedros after good

Moscow turned on the style in the second half to come back from two goals down with four goals in the last 30 minutes.

Jerzy Podbrozny's 25th minute was enough to give Legia Warsaw the win and continue Blackburn Rovers' hu-

The loss was the third straight for the English Premier League champions. Blackburn 55th minute for violent play. 58th-minute goal by 19-year-pressed in the second half and Juvenius were without Gianlu-old midfielder Lars Ricken. played some of its best soccer Forwards Alan Shearer and

Ouedec, Ouedec, only recently back after four months out, also holders, strolled to an easy win set up the third goal for Pole over Grasshopper of Zurich. Roman Kosecki in the 75th minute. Rosenborg 2, Spartak Moscow 4: Substitute Valery Kechinov hit two as Spartak

> Legia Warsaw 1, Blackburn Rovers 0:

miliation in European compe-

of the Champions League season but couldn't break through. Chris Sutton had chances but did not score.

Aalborg fought their way back into the game in the first minute of the second half when Real Madrid scored six goals Jan Pedersen neatly volleyed home a cross from the right. Nantes, with only one point

work by Japhet N'Doram and



PSV Eindhoven's Stan Valckx was upended by Tony Yeboah of Leeds, but Eindhoven won the UEFA Cup match, 5-3.

Legia goal at the end but in a hectic finish, Sutton narrowly failed to beat Polish keeper Ma-

Juventus 4, Rangers 1: Fabrizio Ravanelli scored two fine goals as Juventus trounced inury-depleted

pions League games.

then set up the second, for Antonio Conte two minutes later. Alessandro Del Piero made it 3-Blackburn laid siege to the 0 with a 23d-minute free-kick. European Cup run to 14 games

Ravanelli claimed his second with an ease which at times in the 75th minute, plunging bordered on complacency, particularly in the first half. through the Rangers defence to beat Goram before the Scots Patrick Kluivert opened the pulled back a consolation goal

through Richard Gough. Juventus have won all three Glasgow of their Group C games for nine Rangers 4-1. Juventus have points, five points more than won all three of their Cham- second-place Borussia Dort-

mund. Rangers, without injured Borussia Dortmund 1, England midfielder Paul Gas- Steaua Bucharest 0: Dortcoigne, played most of the sec- mund scored its first Championd half with just 10 men after ons League victory, beating Alex Cleland was sent off in the Steaua Bucharest 1-0 with a

Aiax 3, Grasshopper 0: Eu-Ravanelli, rammed home a ropean Cup holders Ajax free-kick in the 15th minute cruised to a comfortable victory over the Swiss champions in Amsterdam.

Ajax stretched their unbeaten

UEFA CUP
Second Round, First Leg
Kniserskuttent 1, Red Betls 2
Scorers: Kniserskuttem — Harry Koch (46th
nikute); Real Betls — Alfonso Perez (45th,
73rd), Alexis Trujilla (54th).
EUROPEAN CHAMPTONS CUP
Namtes 3, Adhlorg 1
Scorers: Namtes — Nicolas Ouedec (5th), Reynaid Pedros (56th), Roman Kosedd (75th); Aniborg — Jan Pedersen (46th).

scoring with a dazzling strike in the 10th minute rapping the ball home off the underside of the bar. Kluivert added his second in the 68th minute then Finidi George put the outcome well beyond Grasshopper with an

87th minute goal.

Real Madrid 6, Ferencvaros 1: Real Madrid, second behind Ajax in Group D, easily defeated the Hungarian league team Ferencearos 6-1, the highlight of which was a hat-trick by young striker Raul Gonzalez Blanco, 18. Raul scored two goals in a minute in the first half and a third near the end as Real

brushed aside the Hungarian (Reuters, AFP, AP)

Oilers' Goaltender Upstages the Devils

The Associated Press There was another great

goaltending performance at the Meadowlands, and this time it was not by Martin Brodeur. Brodeur, who led the New

Jersey Devils to the Stanley Cup last season and was largely re-sponsible for their 4-0 National Hockey League start this season, was overshadowed in his own building by Edmonton's Bill Ranford on Tuesday night. The result was a 3-1 victory

NHL HIGHLIGHTS

for the Oilers, which broke a 16-game winning streak for the Devils that had extended from last season's playoffs through the preseason and into the early weeks of the 1995-96 season.

We could have played for two days and I don't think we would have scored, and they would have gotten more goals." said the Devils' coach, Jacques Lemaire, whose team outscored opponents 16-5 in winning its first four games. "That's exactly the way I see it. We were not scheduled to win this game."

Ranford made 38 saves to help the Oilers win their first game after four losses.

Tuesday night's loss prevent-ed the Devils from tying an NHL record for most victories at streak to five games. the start of a season by the defending Stanley Cup champion. Ottawa started with a 5-0 record ning the Cup, while Edmonton beat Chris Osgood. did the same in 1985-86.

Scorers: Real Madrid - Rout Ganzalez (23rd, 25th, 83rd), tvan Zamerane (34th, 46th), Fer-палdo Hierro (55th); Ferencyares — Garen Кар-

metropolitan area rivals. Healy made 22 saves and Forraro triggered a four-goal burst in the first and second periods.

Brian Leetch and Pat Verbeek had power-play goals, and Sergei Nemchinov and Doug Lidster also scored for the

Rangers. Maple Leafs 7, Sharks 2: In Toronto, Mike Gartner and Sergio Momesso each had two goals as the Maple Leafs finally got their power play untracked.

Toronto's power-play unit, successful only four times in 29 chances before the game, scored twice in three attempts in the first period, including the opening goal of the period. The Maple Leafs scored four power-play goals in five chances overall.

Blackhawks 6, Panthers 3: Gary Suter scored two goals. including the game winner. Chicago ended Florida's fourgame winning streak.

Murray Craven and Sergei Krivokrasov each had a goal and an assist for the visiting Blackhawks, who blew three one-goal leads before being able to put away the Panthers with a three-goal third period.

Red Wings 3, Flames 3: In Detroit, Darren McCarty scored twice to help the Red Wings extend their unbeaten

The game was tied 3-3 going into the third, and the winless Flames (0-2-3) outshot Detroit in the 1920-21 season after win- 13-4 in the period, but couldn't

The Red Wings (3-1-2) had Rangers 5, Islanders 1: the best chance of overtime, but Glenn Healy and Ray Ferraro, Trevor Kidd stopped Slava Kotwo former members of the Is- ziov, and the rebound was filanders, each had big nights as nally cleared after the puck was the visiting Rangers beat their in the goal mouth.

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base coach, Sought contract of Denny Harrig pitcher, from Las Vegas, PCL. Released Dan

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BASKETBALL

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CALVIN AND HOBBES

LOOK! I SEE HEADLIGHTS COMING OVER THE TREES!

SIDELINES

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HOUSTON—Bought contract of Mark Small pitcher, from Tucson, PCL.

LOS ANGELES—Announced Tom Prince, catcher, refused outstglit essignment to Abuduerque, PCL, and is a free agent.

MONTREAL—Agreed to terms with F.P Sambanget, outfleider, and sent him outsight to Ortows, IL. Amounced Jose DeLeon, Wille Fruser, and Greg A Horris, pitchers, refused minor league costignments and are free agents.

Crand National Star Red Rum Dies

LONDON (Reuters) — Triple Grand National winner Red Rum died on Wednesday at the age of 30 and was buried by the winning post of the world's most farmous steeplechase.

The gelding, one of Britain's best loved racehorses, was found in a distressed state in his stable and humanely put down.

in a distressed state in his stable and humanely put down. Red Rum was the only horse ever to win the Grand National three times — in 1973, '74 and '77. He was second in 1975 and '76.

NHL Jets to Move to Minneapolis

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (AP) - The Winnipeg Jets, who joined the North American National Hockey League in 1979, have been sold to a group in the United States and will leave the city after the season.

Barry Shenkarow, principal owner of the Jets, said Wednesday the team has been purchased by the investors Richard Burke of Minneapolis and Steven Gluckstern of New York.

Negotiations have been ongoing between Burke and Minneapolis officials to bring the Jets to Minneapolis, which lost the North Stars a few years ago to Dallas. There was no indication how much the group paid for the Jets. Shenkarow said in a statement Burke and Gluckstern have no plans to change personnel. The move would be the second in as many years by a Canadian club to an American city. The Quebec Nordiques this year relocated to Denver and become the Avalanche.

For the Record

Coach Jacques Demers and General Manager Serge Savard were fired by the Montreal Canadiens, who have lost all of their National Hockey League games this season.

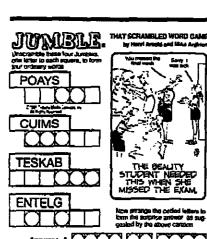
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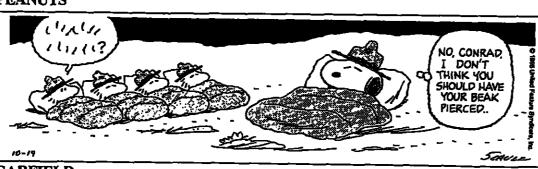
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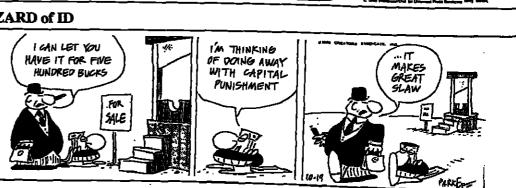












THE FAR SIDE



"I dunno. We're just so for up.



By Ian Thomsen ional Herald Tribun

BRIGHTON, England -Suddenly her problems seemed very real. The only way most of us know world No. 1 Steffi Graf is by the tennis theater she provides, clinically and with little editorial comment. Then on Wednesday she lost to somebody named Mariaan de

The score was 6-2, 4-6, 6the lowest of the 17 players who have beaten Graf in the last 10 years. The opponent, a large woman, had not played much this year while recuperating from shoulder surgery two years ago.

Not so long after her probiems had been made clear. Graf said, "I think she is the best woman player I have ever played against."

A few listeners reacted as if Graf had just pleaded guilty to tax evasion. Just so there was no doubt, Graf said, "I said that she was the best woman who has ever played against me. Better than Monica Seles?

Chris Evert? Mariaan de Swardt, a 24-year-old South African, winner of \$364,136 lifetime, was better than Martina Navratilova?

"I'm talking about the first one and a half sets," Graf said in slight retreat. "I'm not talking about the end."

She was trying to ratio-nalize the irrational result in about her father.

in a prison cell in Mannheim, Germany, since early August, suspected of hiding — with some official permission, maybe --- huge chunks of the enormous salary that he began driving his daughter to win when she was 4. This month Graf was questioned by investigators for seven

There has been speculation to be: a professional unaffected by the life she has been

able to keep private.
"No, I think I was really on the court today," Graf said when asked, essentially, to admit that she is worried.

"There is nothing I can blame it on, nothing at all." But it must have been up-

\$1.2 million in annual support this week? "It's not 'withdraw,' "

group interview. "It ends this year after 10 years. They are not continuing it, which happens with sponsors."

"Definitely, we feel really bad for her," De Swardt said. "I don't know if I could play tennis if what was going on with her was going on with me. I respect her for playing now, and I think the majority of players feel really sorry for her and what she's going through. We're trying to give her words of support, to let 1. Six to one. Her opponent her know we're there for her, was ranked 54th in the world, and that this whole nightmare will blow over soon.

Perhaps the most dramatic aspect of the afternoon was how quickly — in just 87 players became familiar to those watching. The setting was hardly comfortable muffled acoustics, grimly yellowing fluorescent lights, and a huge black curtain along one side of the court. Another match was being played in the same room, though few of the 2,000 or so here were paying it any attention.

Before the match, De Swardt complained about the camera flashes that chase celebrities everywhere. She was buoyed by the memory of her three-set loss to Graf at Wimbledon three years ago, but everyone else knew better: Graf had won 30 straight matches at the Brighton International and six titles.

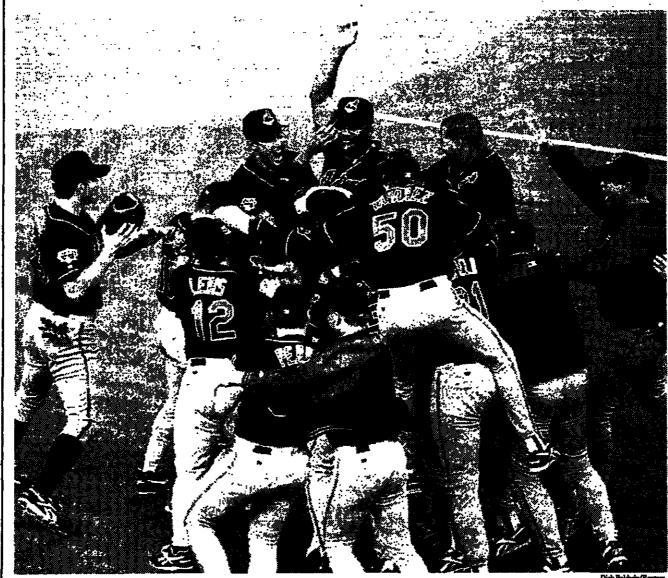
But the first point was an ace by De Swardt. In the sixth game Graf double-faulted twice as De Swardt broke her the language of tennis. This, in love. De Swardt won seven as Freud might have said, was consecutive games, going a consecutive games, going a break up in the second set. Peter Graf has been living Suddenly, although she might have looked ordinary, she was playing enviable tennis smiling at Graf after an exchange of winners off the net. However, for those familiar with the German way, this cast the fourth game of the second set as the probable

Women's tennis is all about Steffi Graf and Monica Seles. It is in orbit around in Germany that she will be them. It is about them in the arrested. It is being said that same lavish, worshipful and Graf wasn't aware of her fa- exorbitant way that soap opther's tax schemes, which is eras revolve around rich and more than possible. Never- beautiful victims. Except that theless, she is not what her Seles and Graf rarely lose, game has always pledged her except in parts of the plot they cannot get their rackets on.
In this case, when the op-

ponent started smiling, enjoying herself, she seemed to be displaying the weakness Graf likes to exploit most. As it turned out, De Swardt

went on to win six of the seven games that matter most. This is the winner's setting that one of her major third tournament indoors, evsponsors. Opel, withdrew its er. Afterward, true to her \$1.2 million in annual sup-character, Graf said, "I don't think I was nervous on the court." But there was no oth-Graf said, the only time she er way to explain the new was riled during a 10-minute sympathy of her audience.

Behind Martinez, Indians March Into the Series



The Indians celebrated not only the 4-0 victory over Seattle, but the franchise's first trip to the World Series since 1954.

Yo, Toronto! This Is In-Your-Face Hoops

By Anne Swardson Vashington Post Service

TORONTO — Less than three weeks before Toronto's new National Basketball Association team begins its first season, ticket sales are soaring, corporate sponsors are lining up and logoed merchandise is selling around the world. As every school child in

turning point in Graf's favor. Canada knows, a Canadian invented basketball, in 1891, and the game has not been forgotten. Young people are excited by the Detroit Pistons star who is the City, he appears in public.

the cool, distant culture of Canada is not ready for in-your-face basketball. professional fail will depend in part on how Canadians adapt to the blitzkrieg

that is pro hoops these days. Canadians often hold themselves aloof from things that are too American, and little is more American than the current incamation of the NBA, with its

flash, stars and braggadocio. When the Raptors guard Damon Stoudamire, fresh out of

and mentioned the "greamess" he had achieved at the high school level, Canadian reporters were taken aback.

'We happen to like our athletic heroes to sport a convincing degree of modesty," wrote the columnist Mary Ormsby in the Toronto Star. "The NBA's trash-talking element and the glorification of self - no matter how brutally honest those feelings actually are - will be a hard sell here.

"I don't know if this town is Raptors, as the franchise is ready for Generation X basketcalled Isiah Thomas, the former ball players; they're Attitude said Sam Guha, who Raptors' general manager, is does basketball commentary on mobbed by children whenever CBC radio. "A lot of hockey fans here think it's a lot of chairman of the Raptors. "You But there is some concern that squeaking shoes and last-minute wins and pituitary cases."

more than 100 ethnic groups, is Whether the Raptors succeed or tolerant. When the basketball world championships were held here in 1994, 300,000 spectators attended, including more than 32,000 for the final between the United States and Russia. But the Canadian character, many here say, is out of fidence of the 1990s NBA.

"It may not be sport, exactly, but it is definitely entertainthe University of Arizona, told ment," commented Maclean's, a Toronto press conference re- Canada's national news cently that he planned on being magazine, after February's All-

Even the nature of basketball is un-Canadian. In ice hockey,

individuality is minimal; pads and helmets mask identity. In basketball, players are a lot larger and clothes are a lot smaller. ''It's a very sensual sport,''. said David Peterson, former premier of Ontario and now board

"The NBA's trashtalking element and the glorification of self will be a hard sell here.'

can touch 'em, feel 'em, smell 'em. You're quite removed in Racially, Toronto, a city of baseball. Less so in hockey, but you can't smell them; it's too cold. Basketball is terribly modem and terribly American."

Before his group began preparing its bid for the franchise, Peterson had never seen an NBA game and knew little about basketball. The opposite was true for the lead partner. John Bitove Jr., whose family made its money in the food services business in Toronto and who spent summers in Indiana, his mother's home state.

Whether it was playing hoops grew up on the NBA.

He played for his high school the University of Indiana. He the Raptors play in SkyDome was there in 1981, the year the during construction of a 22,500-Hoosiers won the NCAA final seat arena. Raptors officials say ed \$280 million, including a never seen before. \$125 million franchise fee, that the rest of Toronto will convert Thomas said. "We'll be racy. to the game once people see the We'll go as far as our imagshow the Raptors have to offer. ination will take us.'

Canadian sporting audience, which sits on its hands and claps plays on both sides," Bitove "We won't let them. There'll be too much going

The team will have a few Canadian elements: All its preseason games are being played in Canada, despite the fact that none of the players shows any sign of having beard of Halifax, St. John, Saskatoon or Winnipeg. Halifax must have brought good luck to the

Philadelphia 76ers, 120-107. In Winnipeg, another Canadian innovation will be introduced: The Raptors and the Vancouver Grizzlies, the West Coast expansion franchise, will new Canadian championship of basketball.

Bitove said the team name was purposely designed to have no relation to Toronto or Canada, for instance, in part so that Raptors merchandise can be sold the world over. So far, indications are that in-

terest is running high. Seasonticket sales are third in the league, both in number and dollar terms. This is despite the fact tween the Los Angeles Lakers and New York Knicks, Bitove grew up on the NRA with his cousins or watching the that buyers of the best seats must Single-seat prices range from a fifth, and was unearned). That high of \$67 to a low of \$8, at team in Toronto, then attended least for the first two years, while — led by Thomas. He and his that for that money, they will put the Mariners in a jam.

partners are betting an estimat- on a show like Canadians have And both base runner

"We'll be on the edge,

By Jennifer Frev Washington Post Service

SEATTLE - For more than year, the Cleveland Indians believed — fiercely, firmly that they would reach this moment, their seemingly unstoppable march to the World Series their locker room. The Indians arrived in the American League Championship Series with the best team in baseball, a homebuilt collection of talent that included good defense, great pitching and truly impressive

power at the plate. Their opponents, the Seattle Mariners, arrived with little more than a dream.

Destiny's team beat the dreamers Tuesday night at the Kingdome, where the Indians - powered this time by their marvelous pitching rather than their spectacular offense — celimpending trip to Atlanta, where they will face the Braves in what will be Cleveland's first World Series appearance since 1954.

The Indians lost that series to the Boston Braves. Orel Hershiser, named the ALCS most valuable player after winning Games 2 and 5, will go against Atlanta's Greg Maddux in Game 1 of the World

Series on Saturday night in At-Fruitless in his search for a victory in his five previous postseason starts (three this month and two with the 1979 Baltimore Orioles), Dennis Martinez, at 40 the oldest pitcher in the major leagues, pitched

seven superb innings to lead the The combined shutout --- Julian Tavarez threw the eighth and Jose Mesa closed the ninth

- was only the fourth against the heavy-hitting Mariners this Martinez may be a newcom-

er to this franchise, but he knows how important this moment is to the long-troubled club and to the city of Cleve-As the players said in their

emotional postgame clubhouse celebration, it's as if this one World Series trip can somehow erase the decades of misery the 105 losses in 1991, the numerous sixth- and seventhplace finishes in the division the endless cruel jokes about their city on the lake.

"We were destined to win," team: The Raptors said the catcher Sandy Alomar won their first preseason game Ir. "I think this ball club has there Saturday night over the done great all year. We came to the Kingdome and we knew it would be tough. But we knew, deep down, we were going to

To do so, the Indians had to beat Randy Johnson, who had play for the Naismith Cup, a all but carried the Mariners through a magical October ride. trophy named for the inventor Four times the Mariners had survived win-or-go-home games here, three times depending on Johnson to earn the

victory.
Tuesday night, though, Martinez, who is known as El Presidente, stood taller than the towering Johnson, who did not have enough left in his marvelous left arm.

It was an awkward, unusual 5—Con (1).

eighth inning that ended all the LOS—Covets It was an awkward, unusual suspense in what had been a tremendous pitching duel (the only run scored up to that point had come from Cleveland in the was when Johnson faltered, giving up a leadoff double to catcher Tony Pena, followed by an in-

rather on a passed ball that slipped by the Mariners' catch-er, Dan Wilson, and wandered far behind the plate.

Johnson stood, almost bewildered, as Lofton passed him, and a few minutes later, he walked from the game disheartened and seemingly oblivious to his Kingdome ovation, a basesempty homer from Baerga having just provided the last straw.
"I told them, the way Dennis

was pitching, we only needed one run to beat them, "said Pena, who admitted he felt confident after the Indians took a 1-0 lead after an error by the Mariners second baseman Joey Cora. That run, though, did not

seem to deflate the Kingdome. where the sellout crowd - and the Mariners players — still seemed to believe that their "Refuse to Lose" slogan would forever hold true.

"We have nothing to be ebrated a 4-0 victory and an ashamed of," the Mariners' manager, Lou Piniella, said af-"I think this was a season

where this city proved it can be team started to establish a winning tradition of its own." he

added. Certainly, the Scattle faithful did not waver in their support of the Mariners, the packed house standing and cheering long after the players had retreated up the tunnel, and long after the jubilant Indians carried their celebration into a Champagnesoaked chibhouse.

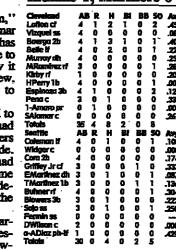
For now, the moment belongs to the Indians, and to the city of Cleveland, where all have waited so long for this day.

"I always dreamed I would play in the World Series," Baerga said, and it was impossible to tell whether his eyes were wet from tears or Cham-'And I always knew I'd get

here," he added. "I just did."

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field single from Kenny Lofton, who promptly stole second to put the Mariners in a jam.

And both base runners — Ruben Amaro, who pinch-ran for Pena, and Lofton — did not score on a big-time hit from the likes of Carlos Baerga or Albert Belle or Eddie Murray, but

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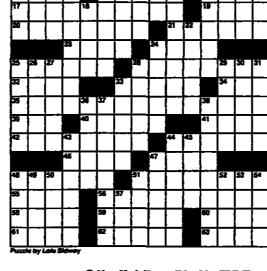
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marks (\$3.54 million) in his "He's not doing weddings. He can fill Madison Square for safety improvements, the city authorities said.

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WASHINGTON — "O.J. hour, but I assure you the bride Inc. What can I do for and groom will never forget

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'That is all we have for the weekend. Everyone who was involved with the case is either out on the lecture circuit, writing a book, developing a TV series or preparing to be on the Tom Brokaw show. If you want a juror for the weekend, the only one I could come up is an alternate. What we're dealing with is pure, unadulterated fame,"

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"I thought during the cakecutting ceremony he could tell us about the thump, thump, thump, thump he heard in the night."

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"The man himself?" "Throw out a figure - any

Garden right now. Forget him, because I can't offer him at this

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French Comedian Makes It Big Against All Odds

By Sharon Waxman

PARIS — When Mimie Mathy appeared in her first TV variety show in 1982, the critics were nonplused. Some were positively vicious, like one who called her "a deformed gnome" and remarked that 'people like that'' should not be on television. Mathy responded with a vicious comment of her own, regretting in a letter that concentration camps no longer existed, since if they did "I would never run the risk of meeting you." She signed it, "The deformed gnome."

At 1.3 meters (4 feet 4), Mathy takes a resolutely hardheaded approach to her career. Refusing to regard her dwarf physique as a hand-icap, she has stepped into the musical comedy spotlight and demanded to be person. Which she insists she is. judged like everyone else, ignoring the inevitable rejection and occasional humiliation.

Now, at 38, she has arrived. Last month Mathy hosted a glitzy prime-time special on France's largest tele-vision network, and she has just launched a six-month tour of her onewoman show. People who used to point at her and laugh now point and ask for autographs, and an American director has offered her a role in a film with Andy Garcia, "Paradise Man." For Mathy, the revenge is sweet. But

it wasn't revenge she was after.
"When I decided to take up this profession, I refused any concessions. I wanted to do this not as someone who was different, but as a woman who was 1.3 meters tall," she says. "I could have decided to do a job where I'd be behind a desk. But you can impose yourself on people. You say, 'Hey, I'm this way. And I'm fine. Is that a problem?'

That makes things sound easier than they are. If other unconventional sorts have risen to prominence in show biz, it is also true that few expected Mathy to go very far.

"When I did my first one-woman show at Le Point Virgule in 1982, my producer said, 'Let's do this on TV.''

This attitude is no doubt the result she recalls. "My public relations per- of growing up in a family that made son — this was the guy who was her adapt to the world. Mathy's work- and introduced her to people in the played by the actor Pierral in the can't they?"

on a nightly comedy program, which turned out to be her big break.

Mathy laughs at the memory, as she laughs off all the hurtful episodes in her life. This isn't a defense mechanism; she seems to be genuinely unbruised. Indeed, her comedy sketches do not mock her height.

'But since I'm like this, that's it. I just accept it.'

which would be an easy laugh. Instead she jokes about the everyday hassles and dreams of any ordinary

'People say to me, 'Come on, you must cry all the time when you go home. You must be miserable.' No. no, please, ' she says, shaking her head, ''Come on, I'm earning a good living, I'm doing what I love. O.K., I haven't met the man of my life, but

I'm alive. I'm surrounded by love." She pauses. "Sometimes I cry, but no more than anyone else." Mathy would look like an incredibly typical French person had she not been born with achondroplasia, a congenital bone disorder that stunted her growth, leaving her with thick, disproportioned limbs. The condition, however, did nothing to repress an equally congenital exuberance.

Mathy has a broad grin that lights up her face often. "If I'd had the choice. I'm sure I wouldn't have chosen to be I.3 meters. I'd have been Claudia Schiffer," she says. "But since I'm like this, that's it. I just

It has never occurred to her to live any other way. "I don't have any 'special friends' because I am as I am," she says. "Making ghettos is the most dangerous thing. When you go outside on the street, everyone is dif-

supposed to be promoting me—said, ing class parents from Lyon had two 'But we can't put her on TV.' 'He was fired, and Mathy soon won a slot ter, both girls, both normal. They treated all three equally; Mathy went to the same school, was assigned the same chores and got the same disciplinarian treatment as her sisters.

But this upbringing has resulted in some contradictions. Mathy admits that she feels very uncomfortable around others of her size. Undersize men don't interest her, and when "little people" support groups call asking her to lecture, she turns them down. "I deliver my message by do-ing what I do," she says. "A psy-choenalyst would probably have a lot to say about this, but I have to be around normal people to feel good."

Even more striking, Mathy says in an antobiography published last year that she would abort a pregnancy if the fetus had her condition. She writes: "I do not have the strength to confront the reproach of a child who would blame me for bringing him into this world."

But Mathy does not have much time to ponder her own contradictions, since she has to run to rehearsal. It is the opening night of her one-woman show, an act that she will take all over France. To see her onstage is to watch a pro.

She has the timing, the agility, the ease and presence of a natural comic. This has come with years of hard work. As a teenager, Mathy spent her summers volunteering in the evening revue at the campgrounds where her family spent its vacations, and in her late teens was hired there. After a couple of years of studying economics (to please her parents), she won a much coveted spot at an acting school in Nice, run by the singer Michel Fugain. There she learned to refine her talent, participating in all the courses, including three hours of dance class a day. "It was hard to look at myself in the mirror," she says. "But Fugain kept saying, 'Look at yourself. Look, look, look. Accept. You don't move like the others, but

they don't move like you, either.' "



Mimie Mathy overcame critics' barbs to succeed as an entertainer.

business, including a producer who 1950s. Still, Mathy believes that she agreed to finance a one-woman show in a Parisian café-theater. She was 25 however slightly. and on her way. "There are ridiculous barriers here

Mathy was still fighting stereotypes. Most of the television scripts she received were inane slapstick comedies, roles in which she would have had to be constantly running to catch up with people or jumping up to reach the phone. She considered these only

has contributed to changing attitudes,

that haven't fallen," she says. "I spent 10 years imposing my personality, saying, "Take me or leave me.' Now I have people asking to work with me. ... I get letters from people saying, Thank you, I never knew how to talk to this person in my building, or 'I'm so ugly, 'I have so many complexes.'
... People see that if I can do it, why

POSTCARD

Students Turn Backs on Yale's Hallowed Dorms

By Jonathan Rabinovitz New York Times Service

NEW HAVEN, Connecticut — With their I ornate neo-Gothic towers, gated court-yards and oak-paneled dining halls, the dormitories here at Yale have come to epitomize a certain ideal of what college life should be To make dorm life bearable, he equipped like: "A stage set made in Hollywood for a the patio outside his room with a Weber musical about Oxford," the British magazine grill and hot tub. "This is terrible,"

residential colleges — the undergraduate and I'm sharing a room with a bunk bed." living quarters — have been viewed as much more than dormitories. These in- going off campus for cable television," timate communities of 400 to 500 students, remarked Richard C. Levin, Yale's preswho dine, study and party together, are ident, adding that this was a minority. touted by university officials as the cen-

terpiece of the Yale experience. So why, in 1995, are hundreds of them

Europe

reason to go to Harvard?

people move off campus, it would be 'food, food, food," 'said Tim Randall, a junior. For more than a half century, the 12 visitor his dorm room. "I'm 20 years old

"I've talked with some students who are

There is no single explanation for the exodus, but this year, a record number, about 890 of the 5,100 undergraduates, have

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New York City and Washington, D.C., will have some ran Friday mio Saturday followed by chilly winds. Toronto and Chicago will turn very chilty and bluatery with showers of rain and, by Sunday, even snew in Toronto. On the West Coast, showors will reach as far south as Pontland.

\$27.630 term bill — have coincided with a sharp drop in New Haven rents. While some doms have become rundown, the neighborhoods surrounding Yale have been redeveloped and appear to have become safer. he described how it feels to reach his last tolerant of doubling up in a small bedroom and living without the latest amenities.

Yale is not alone in experiencing this exodus. The percentage of undergraduates with whom I've worked for 20 years living off campus nationally has increased to last day on the PBS show is Friday. 85 percent from 80 percent five years ago, said Barbara Jacoby, director of the National Clearinghouse for Commuter Programs, based at the University of Maryland.

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PEOPLE

TWO of America's most prominent restaurateurs are joining forces: Warner LeRoy, owner of Tavern on the Green and the Russian Tea Room, and David fleeing these hallowed dorms to live on their own in New Haven, a troubled city that prospective freshmen often site as a reason to go to Harvard?

"If I were to put in three words why records move off campus, up almost 70 percent from the roughly 530 living outside the colleges five years ago. Students and university officials point out that fising Yale open in three words why records move off campus, up almost 70 percent Bouley, an owner and the chef of Bouley. He will become executive chef of the Rustian Tea Room, which will be rebuilt to open in Tea Room, which will be rebuilt to open in three words why records move off campus, up almost 70 percent Bouley, an owner and the chef of Bouley. He will become executive chef of the Rustian Tea Room, which will be rebuilt to open in Tea Room,

> It's bittersweet, said Robert MacNeil as on "The MacNeil-Lehrer Newsh "It's sweet because I've wanted to have more time to write novels. The bitter part is that I am leaving my other family, people with whom I've worked for 20 years." His

Mary Tyler Moore says she helped her terminally ill brother try to commit suicide by feeding him ice cream laced with a deadly overdose of drugs. The attempt failed, but the actress says in her new autobiography that she "would do it again." The book, "After All," reveals her role in the suicide attempt of John Moore, 47. She also describes the role of her husband, Dr. Robert Levine, a cardiologist, in the assisted suicide attempt. It was the second time that Moore, who finally died three months later in 1992 of kidney cancer, had tried to end his suffering.

Vaclav Havel, president of the Czech Republic, is reportedly planning to trade in his huge S-class Mercedes for a slightly less ostentatious car, motor industry sources say in Prague. They said Havel would opt for a

Sting. Moore, the singer's accountant, who reportedly stole \$9.4 million from 1988 to 1992, was sentenced to six years in prison.

Crown Prince Frederik, 27, of Denmark, using the nom de guerre Pingo, is taking part in a military exercise as an aspiring member of the Danish Navy's elite Frogmen Corps. For a week, 200 soldiers are trying to capture Frederik and four other but on this show I hope to define the Joyce-



BADGE OF HONOR - Elizabeth Hurley, the Estée Lauder model, receiving a pin for breast cancer awareness from Evelyn Lauder in New York. The two later attended a fundraising event for breast cancer research.

paper reported. Frederik will graduate from basic training Nov. 3. Army spokesmen said he received no special treatment during his military service, although he was unlikely to continue as a professional frogman.

O.J. Simpson was spotted playing golf in Panama City Beach, Florida, with his girlfriend, Paula Barbieri, looking on. It was the first confirmed Simpson sighting A London court has found Keith Moore since he was acquitted Oct. 3 in the slayings of his former wife. Nicole Brown Simpson, and a friend, Ronald L. Goldman.

Dr. Joycelyn Elders's outspokenness cost her her job as surgeon general, but it probably helped her find a new one as the host of a morning talk show on KSYG in Little Rock, Arkansas, and WERE in Cleveland. "Everybody else has been defining Joycelyn Elders for the past five or six years, would-be members of the corps, a news- lyn Elders I know and make people know guides, Nepal's Tourism Ministry says.

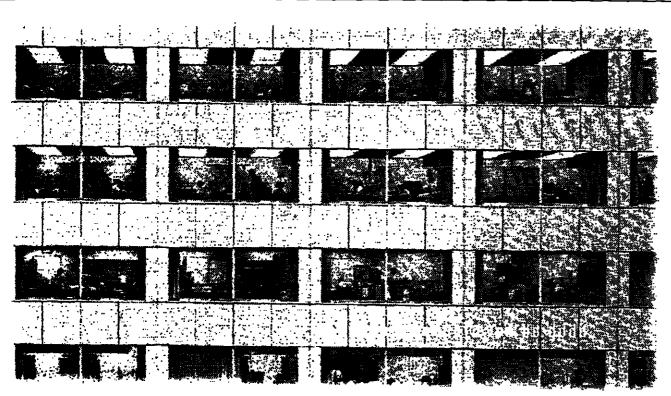
who I am and what I'm about," Elders said.

Barbara Bush's no nonsense grit has been officially recognized. The former

first lady was awarded the Freedom Forum's "Free Spirit Award" for her work on literacy. She said her husband, George, was "a tad amused. He's been telling me for years to calm that free spirit down.

Alice Cooper, who says he took up golf to fight an alcohol addiction, now carries a 5-handicap and sports an image far removed from his days as a wild-eyed, mascara-wearing rock singer. Then, he says. rock singers couldn't admit to playing golf. 'I mean, your dad golfed.'' Cooper said.

Young Tae Kim, 31, and Jung Hun Park, 24, both of South Korea, have scaled Mount Everest along with two Nepalese



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